
HOUSE BILL 1903

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By Representatives Stensen and Regala

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1 AN ACT Relating to the authority of the department of natural
2 resources to consider public safety concerns in authorizing forest
3 practices; and adding a new section to chapter 76.09 RCW.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 76.09 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 For the purposes of this section, "public safety" means reducing
8 the risk to the public at large from snow avalanches, as identified by
9 the department of transportation, landslides, or debris torrents caused
10 by forest practices.

11 The department shall consider public safety when reviewing an
12 application for forest practices under RCW 76.09.060. The department
13 may condition the approval of, or deny a forest practices permit
14 application being reviewed under RCW 76.09.060, based upon reasonable
15 concerns regarding public safety.

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