HOUSE BILL 1290

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to selecting a person with a disability as a
- 2 member of the fish and wildlife commission; and amending RCW
- 3 77.04.030.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 77.04.030 and 2000 c 107 s 203 are each amended to 6 read as follows:
- 7 The fish and wildlife commission consists of nine registered
- 8 voters of the state. In January of each odd-numbered year, the
- 9 governor shall appoint with the advice and consent of the senate
- 10 two registered voters to the commission to serve for terms of six
- 11 years from that January or until their successors are appointed
- 12 and qualified. If a vacancy occurs on the commission prior to the
- 13 expiration of a term, the governor shall appoint a registered
- 14 voter within sixty days to complete the term. Three members shall
- 15 be residents of that portion of the state lying east of the summit
- 16 of the Cascade mountains, and three shall be residents of that
- 17 portion of the state lying west of the summit of the Cascade
- 18 mountains. Three additional members shall be appointed at large,

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- 2 <u>disability</u>. No two members may be residents of the same county. The
- 3 legal office of the commission is at the administrative office of
- 4 the department in Olympia.
- 5 For the purposes of this section, a person with a disability 6 includes:
- 7 (1) A permanently disabled person who is not ambulatory over 8 natural terrain without a prosthesis or assistive device;
- 9 (2) A permanently disabled person who is unable to hold or use 10 any legal fishing or shell fishing device;
- 11 (3) A permanently disabled person who is unable to hold or
- 12 shoot a firearm or other legal hunting device in a conventionally
- 13 <u>acceptable manner;</u>
- 14 (4) A person who is totally blind or visually impaired; or
- 15 (5) A permanently disabled person with upper or lower extremity
- 16 impairments who has lost the use of one or both upper or lower
- 17 <u>extremities</u>.

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