SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2341

State of Washington 57th Legislature 2002 Regular Session

By House Committee on Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Eickmeyer, Grant, Schoesler, Doumit and Jackley)

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1 AN ACT Relating to controlling game damage to crops; and adding a 2 new section to chapter 77.36 RCW.

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

4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 77.36 RCW 5 to read as follows:

6 The department must maintain a list of qualified individuals, 7 arranged by county of residence, who have indicated that they are available to hunt deer or elk that are causing damage to crops. 8 Individuals must meet all the qualifications established by the 9 10 department in order to be placed upon the list. The department must update the list at least once every three years. 11 The department must 12 utilize this list when contacting persons to assist in controlling game 13 damage to crops. The department must make all reasonable efforts to 14 use an individual who resides within the county where the hunting of 15 deer or elk will occur before contacting a person who is not a resident 16 of that county. The department must rotate the names of people who it

1 contacts on the list in order to provide a fair distribution of the

2 hunting opportunity.

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