HOUSE BILL 2436

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By Representatives Eickmeyer, Buck, Doumit, Rockefeller, Clements, Jackley and Haigh; by request of Department of Fish and Wildlife

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1 AN ACT Relating to group fishing permits; adding a new section to 2 chapter 77.32 RCW; and repealing RCW 77.32.235.

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 77.32 RCW 5 to read as follows:

A group fishing permit allows a group of individuals to fish and harvest shellfish without individual licenses or the payment of individual license fees. The director may issue a group fishing permit to a licensed, state-operated, or nonprofit facility that serves physically or mentally disabled persons, mentally ill persons, hospital patients, handicapped persons, seriously or terminally ill persons, or senior citizens.

13 The commission must adopt rules that provide the conditions under 14 which a group fishing permit may be issued. <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Sec. 2. RCW 77.32.235 (Group permits--Exemption from
individual license and fee requirement--Conditions) and 1998 c 191 s
20, 1990 c 35 s 4, & 1984 c 33 s 1 are each repealed.

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