

**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5443**

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**By** Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Parks & Shorelines  
(originally sponsored by Senators Spanel, Jacobsen and Kohl-Welles; by  
request of Department of Fish and Wildlife)

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1 AN ACT Relating to commercial salmon licenses; and amending RCW  
2 77.65.160.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 77.65.160 and 2000 c 107 s 37 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1) The following commercial salmon fishery licenses are required  
7 for the license holder to use the specified gear to fish for salmon in  
8 state waters. Only a person who meets the qualifications of RCW  
9 77.70.090 may hold a license listed in this subsection. The licenses  
10 and their annual fees and surcharges under RCW 77.95.090 are:

|    | Fishery                      | Resident | Nonresident | Surcharge  |
|----|------------------------------|----------|-------------|------------|
|    | License                      | Fee      | Fee         |            |
| 11 | (a) Salmon Gill Net--Grays   | \$380    | \$685       | plus \$100 |
| 12 | Harbor-Columbia river        |          |             |            |
| 13 | (b) Salmon Gill Net--Puget   | \$380    | \$685       | plus \$100 |
| 14 | Sound                        |          |             |            |
| 15 | (c) Salmon Gill Net--Willapa | \$380    | \$685       | plus \$100 |
| 16 | Bay-Columbia river           |          |             |            |
| 17 | (d) Salmon purse seine       | \$530    | \$985       | plus \$100 |
| 18 | (e) Salmon reef net          | \$380    | \$685       | plus \$100 |

2 (2) A license issued under this section authorizes no taking or  
3 delivery of salmon or other food fish unless a vessel is designated  
4 under RCW 77.65.100.

5 (3) Holders of commercial salmon fishery licenses may retain  
6 incidentally caught food fish other than salmon, subject to rules of  
7 the department.

8 (4) A salmon troll license includes a salmon delivery license.

9 (5) A salmon gill net license authorizes the taking of salmon only  
10 in the geographical area for which the license is issued. The  
11 geographical designations in subsection (1) of this section have the  
12 following meanings:

13 (a) "Puget Sound" includes waters of the Strait of Juan de Fuca,  
14 Georgia Strait, Puget Sound and all bays, inlets, canals, coves,  
15 sounds, and estuaries lying easterly and southerly of the international  
16 boundary line and a line at the entrance to the Strait of Juan de Fuca  
17 projected northerly from Cape Flattery to the lighthouse on Tatoosh  
18 Island and then to Bonilla Point on Vancouver Island.

19 (b) "Grays Harbor-Columbia river" includes waters of Grays Harbor  
20 and tributary estuaries lying easterly of a line projected northerly  
21 from Point Chehalis Light to Point Brown and those waters of the  
22 Columbia river and tributary sloughs and estuaries easterly of a line  
23 at the entrance to the Columbia river projected southerly from the most  
24 westerly point of the North jetty to the most westerly point of the  
25 South jetty.

26 (c) "Willapa Bay-Columbia river" includes waters of Willapa Bay and  
27 tributary estuaries and easterly of a line projected northerly from  
28 Leadbetter Point to the Cape Shoalwater tower and those waters of the  
29 Columbia river and tributary sloughs described in (b) of this  
30 subsection.

31 (6) A commercial salmon troll fishery license may be renewed under  
32 this section if the license holder notifies the department by May 1st  
33 of that year that he or she will not participate in the fishery during  
34 that calendar year. A commercial salmon gill net, reef net, or seine  
35 fishery license may be renewed under this section if the license holder  
36 notifies the department (~~by August 1st~~) before the third Monday in  
37 September of that year that he or she will not participate in the  
38 fishery during that calendar year. The license holder must pay the one  
39 hundred-dollar enhancement surcharge, plus a fifteen-dollar handling

- 1 charge before the third Monday in September, in order to be considered
- 2 a valid renewal and eligible to renew the license the following year.

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