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## SENATE BILL 6474

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**By** Senators Morton, Hargrove, Hewitt, Honeyford, T. Sheldon, Hochstatter, Benton, Stevens, McCaslin, Long, Hale and Sheahan

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1 AN ACT Relating to purchase of land by state agencies; and adding 2 a new section to chapter 79.01 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 79.01 RCW 5 to read as follows:

6 (1) A state agency may not purchase a parcel of land in excess of 7 five contiguous acres in a county in which public land, federal land, 8 and tribal land together constitute more than seventy percent of the 9 total area of the county, without the specific authorization of the 10 appropriate county legislative authority.

(2) When land is purchased by a state agency, the agency must post a bond or otherwise financially guarantee that the land will be managed for the control of noxious weeds. The bond or financial guarantee is to be determined by the appropriate county legislative authority and must be based upon the size of the parcel.

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