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SENATE BILL 6712

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By Senators Morton, Hewitt, Hochstatter, Parlette, Honeyford and Roach Read first time 01/28/2002. Referred to Committee on Agriculture & International Trade.

- 1 AN ACT Relating to livestock damage; and adding a new section to
- 2 chapter 77.12 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 77.12 RCW 5 to read as follows:
- 6 (1) The department must develop procedures to compensate livestock
- 7 owners for damage to livestock in excess of one hundred dollars caused
- 8 by wildlife. Compensation must be based on the fair market value of
- 9 the livestock at slaughter.
- 10 (2) The definitions in this subsection apply throughout this
- 11 section.
- 12 (a) "Livestock" means cattle, goats, horses, and sheep.
- (b) "Wildlife" means bears, bobcats, cougars, and coyotes.
- 14 (3) Nothing in this section may be construed to grant the
- 15 department rule-making authority.

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