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SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1075

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By House Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Lytton, Blake, Chandler, Haigh, and Morris)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to the number of Puget Sound Dungeness crab fishery
- 2 licenses that one vessel may be designated to carry; and amending RCW
- 3 77.65.100 and 77.65.130.

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- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 77.65.100 and 2005 c 82 s 1 are each amended to read 6 as follows:
- 7 (1) This section applies to all commercial fishery licenses, 8 delivery licenses, and charter licenses.
 - ((+1)) (2) An applicant for a license subject to this section may designate a vessel to be used with the license. Except for emergency salmon delivery licenses, the director may issue a license regardless of whether the applicant designates a vessel. An applicant may designate no more than one vessel on a license subject to this section.
- $((\frac{(2)}{2}))$ (3) A license for a fishery that requires a vessel authorizes no taking or delivery of food fish or shellfish unless a vessel is designated on the license. A delivery license authorizes no delivery of food fish or shellfish unless a vessel is designated on the

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- 1 $((\frac{3}{3}))$ (4) No vessel may be designated on more than one commercial 2 fishery license unless the licenses are for different fisheries, 3 except:
 - (a) The same vessel may be designated on two of the following licenses, provided the licenses are owned by the same licensee:
 - (i) Shrimp pot-Puget Sound fishery license;
- 7 (ii) Sea cucumber dive fishery license; and
- 8 (iii) Sea urchin dive fishery license.

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- 9 (b) <u>Subject to the provisions of RCW 77.65.130</u>, the same vessel may 10 be designated on ((two)) three Puget Sound Dungeness crab fishery 11 licenses((, subject to the provision of RCW 77.65.130)) issued pursuant 12 to RCW 77.70.110.
- $((\frac{4}{1}))$ (5) No vessel may be designated on more than one delivery license, on more than one salmon charter license, or on more than one nonsalmon charter license.
- 16 **Sec. 2.** RCW 77.65.130 and 2005 c 82 s 2 are each amended to read 17 as follows:
- 18 (1) A person who holds a commercial fishery license or a delivery 19 license may operate the vessel designated on the license. A person who 20 is not the license holder may operate the vessel designated on the 21 license only if:
- 22 (a) The person holds an alternate operator license issued by the 23 director; and
- 24 (b) The person is designated as an alternate operator on the 25 underlying commercial fishery license or delivery license under RCW 26 77.65.110.
- 27 (2) Only an individual at least sixteen years of age may hold an alternate operator license.
- 29 (3) No individual may hold more than one alternate operator 30 license. An individual who holds an alternate operator license may be 31 designated as an alternate operator on an unlimited number of 32 commercial fishery licenses or delivery licenses under RCW 77.65.110.
- 33 (4) An individual who holds ((two)) <u>multiple</u> Dungeness crab--Puget 34 Sound fishery licenses <u>issued pursuant to RCW 77.70.110</u> may operate the 35 licenses on one vessel if the license holder or alternate operator is 36 on the vessel. The department shall allow a license holder to operate 37 up to one hundred crab pots for each license.

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(5) Two persons owning separate Dungeness crab--Puget Sound fishery licenses may operate ((both)) their licenses on one vessel if the license holders or their alternate operators are on the vessel.

(6) As used in this section, to "operate" means to control the deployment or removal of fishing gear from state waters while aboard a vessel or to operate a vessel delivering food fish or shellfish taken in offshore waters to a port within the state.

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