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HOUSE BILL 2735

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to allowable uses of agricultural lands; adding a
- 2 new section to chapter 36.70A RCW; and creating a new section.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that there is great
- 5 value to the services provided by kenneling and boarding facilities
- 6 and that agriculturally zoned land is an appropriate venue for
- 7 locating these facilities. The legislature intends to limit potential
- 8 barriers to the location of canine kenneling and equine boarding
- 9 facilities on agriculturally zoned land.
- 10 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 36.70A
- 11 RCW to read as follows:
- 12 (1) Counties must allow canine kenneling and equine boarding on
- 13 land zoned for agriculture. A county may adopt and apply other
- 14 development regulations that do not have the effect of precluding the
- 15 siting of canine kenneling and equine boarding services and
- 16 facilities in areas where that use is allowed.
- 17 (2) For the purposes of this section "canine kenneling" means the
- 18 private or commercial temporary housing of dogs.

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