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1 Beginning on page 1, after line 2, strike all material through
2 "RCW." on page 9, line 15, and insert the following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** (1) The department of ecology must
4 examine and compare the life-cycle environmental impacts of carryout
5 bags, including the effects on water quality and greenhouse gas
6 emissions. The examination must include a review and comparison of:

7 (a) Paper and plastic bags;

8 (b) Recycled content paper and plastic bags;

9 (c) Compostable and biodegradable plastic bags; and

10 (d) Bags designed specifically to have long-term multiple uses.

11 (2) The department must contract with an independent third-party
12 consultant to conduct a study that meets the requirements specified
13 under subsection (1) of this section.

14 (3) By December 1, 2020, the department of ecology must provide a
15 completed study to the appropriate committees of the legislature."

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16 On page 9, line 17, after "insert" strike all material through
17 "penalties." on line 19 and insert "and creating a new section."

EFFECT: Requires the department of ecology to evaluate and compare life-cycle environmental impacts of carryout bags.

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