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ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2138

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By House Rural Development, Agriculture, & Natural Resources  
(originally sponsored by Representatives Blake, Kretz, Chapman, and  
Dent)

READ FIRST TIME 01/24/20.

1 AN ACT Relating to requirements of signs on public land; adding a  
2 new section to chapter 77.12 RCW; adding a new section to chapter  
3 79.02 RCW; and creating a new section.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 77.12  
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 (1) All new signs that pertain to land use restrictions or  
8 closures must include a reference to the supporting section of the  
9 Revised Code of Washington or Washington Administrative Code, or to  
10 other legal authority.

11 (2) The department shall update existing sign standards and  
12 policies to ensure that all signs pertaining to land use restrictions  
13 or closures include a reference to the supporting section of the  
14 Revised Code of Washington or Washington Administrative Code, or to  
15 other legal authority.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 79.02  
17 RCW to read as follows:

18 (1) All new signs that pertain to land use restrictions or  
19 closures must include a reference to the supporting section of the

1 Revised Code of Washington or Washington Administrative Code, or to  
2 other legal authority.

3 (2) The department shall update existing sign standards and  
4 policies to ensure that all signs pertaining to land use restrictions  
5 or closures include a reference to the supporting section of the  
6 Revised Code of Washington or Washington Administrative Code, or to  
7 other legal authority.

8 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act applies prospectively. Nothing in  
9 this act requires any agency of state government to increase or  
10 change its existing sign update, replacement, or removal schedules.  
11 Agencies should use any remaining stock of signs.

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