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By Committee on Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks

Beginning on page 30, line 15, after "(7)" strike all material 1 2 through "(8)" on page 32, line 6, and insert "(((a) For leases for marina uses only, as of July 1, 2004, lease rates will be a percentage 3 of the annual gross revenues generated by that marina. It is the 4 intent of the legislature that additional legislation be enacted prior 5 to July 1, 2004, to establish the percentage of gross revenues that 6 7 will serve as the basis for a marina's rent and a definition of gross revenues. Annual rent must be recalculated each year based upon the 8 9 marina's gross revenues from the previous year, as reported to the 10 department consistent with this subsection (7).

11 (b) By December 31, 2003, the department will develop a recommended 12 formula for calculating marina rents consistent with this subsection 13 (7) and report the recommendation to the legislature. The formula 14 recommended by the department must include a percentage or a range of 15 percentages of gross revenues, a system for implementing such 16 percentages, and the designation of revenue sources to be considered 17 for rent calculation purposes. The department must also ensure, given the available information, that the rent formula recommended by the 18 department is initially calculated to maintain state proceeds from 19 marina rents as of July 1, 2003, and that if the department does not 20 21 receive income reporting forms representing at least ninety percent of 22 the projected annual marina revenue and at least seventy-five percent 23 of all marinas, the current model for calculating marina rents, as 24 described in subsections (1) through (6) of this section, will continue 25 to be the method used to calculate marina rents, and the income method, 26 as described in (a) of this subsection, will not be applied. In 27 addition to the percent of marina income, the department shall determine its direct administrative costs (cost of hours worked 28 29 directly on applications and leases, based on salaries and benefits, plus travel reimbursement and other actual out-of-pocket costs) to 30 31 calculate, audit, execute, and monitor marina leases, and shall recover

these costs from lessees. All administrative costs recovered by the 1 2 department must be deposited into the resource management cost account created in RCW 79.64.020. Prior to making recommendations to the 3 legislature, a work session consisting of the department, marina 4 owners, and stakeholders must be convened to discuss the rate-setting 5 б criteria. The legislature directs the department to deliver recommendations to the legislature by December 2003, including any 7 8 minority reports by the participating parties.

9 (c) When developing its recommendation for a marina lease formula 10 consistent with this subsection (7), the department shall ensure that 11 the percentage of revenue established is applied to the income of the 12 direct lessee, as well as to the income of any person or entity that 13 subleases, or contracts to operate the marina, with the direct lessee, 14 less the amount paid by the sublease to the direct lessee.

(d) All marina operators under lease with the department must 15 return to the department an income reporting form, provided by the 16 department, and certified by a licensed certified public accountant, 17 before July 1, 2003, and again annually on a date set by the 18 19 department. On the income reporting form, the department may require 20 a marina to disclose to the department any information about income from all marina-related sources, excluding restaurants and bars. All 21 income reports submitted to the department are subject to either audit 22 or verification, or both, by the department, and the department may 23 24 inspect all of the lessee's books, records, and documents, including state and federal income tax returns relating to the operation of the 25 26 marina and leased aquatic lands at all reasonable times. If the lessee 27 fails to submit the required income reporting form once the new method for calculating marina rents is effective, the department may conduct 28 29 an audit at the lessee's expense or cancel the lease.

30 (e) Initially, the marina rent formula developed by the department 31 pursuant to (b) of this subsection will be applied to each marina on 32 its anniversary date, beginning on July 1, 2004, and will be based on 33 that marina's 2003 income information. Thereafter, rents will be 34 recalculated each year, based on the marina's gross revenue from the 35 previous year.

36 (f) No marina lease may be for less than five hundred dollars plus
37 direct administrative costs.

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<u>EFFECT:</u> Eliminates language that references passed dates and completed studies relating to marina lease rate calculations.

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