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**ESSB 6406** - H AMD **1396**

By Representative Hudgins

 On page 10, beginning on line 10, strike all of section 104 and insert the following:

 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 104.** (1) The department of fish and wildlife must contract with the governor’s accountability and performance staff to secure a private sector partner to evaluate the department's current hydraulics regulatory program and the department's application of its authority. The partner selected under this section must utilize Lean principles, concepts, and tools, to analyze the department's hydraulics regulatory program.

 (2)(a) The analysis of the department’s hydraulics program must be completed by no later than November 1, 2012, and must include the following:

 (i) A customer service perspective that seeks to optimize value delivered to the environment, the regulated community, and the general public;

 (ii) Suggestions for involving local governments, Indian tribes, and external stakeholders, in fostering continual improvements and problem solving activities associated with the hydraulics regulatory program;

 (iii) Suggestions for deploying a rapid framework for continual program management improvements that emphasizes timely implementation and resource protection; and

 (iv) Suggestions for reducing the complexity of the hydraulics regulatory program's processes.

 (b) In implementing subsection (2) of this section, the contractee must consult with employees and management at the department of fish and wildlife, local governments, Indian tribes, and impacted stakeholders.

 (3) Following the completion of the analysis required under subsection (2) of this section, the department of fish and wildlife must:

 (a) Implement recommendations identified in the analysis provided pursuant to subsection (2) of this section that are within the department's authority and budget to implement; and

 (b) Evaluate the processes and results stemming from the implementation of subsection (3)(a) of this section.

 (4) The department of fish and wildlife must report to the legislature consistent with RCW 43.01.036, by no later than October 1, 2014, a summary of compliance with this section, performance measures adopted to judge the successes of implementing this section, and the costs of maintaining the operation of the department's hydraulics regulatory program.

 (5) This section expires on July 31, 2015."

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|  |  EFFECT:  Removes the analysis of regulatory gaps by the University of Washington in the underlying bill and replaces it with a third party analysis of the department of fish and wildlife's current hydraulics regulatory program and direction to the department to implement practicable recommendations. |

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