
**State Government, Elections &
Information Technology Committee**

HB 1812

Brief Description: Designating the pine mushroom as the official state fungi.

Sponsors: Representatives Dolan, Koster, Farrell, Robinson, Blake, Griffey, Muri, Doglio, Stanford, Frame, Sawyer, Lovick and Santos.

Brief Summary of Bill

- Designates the pine mushroom as the official Washington state fungi

Hearing Date: 2/15/17

Staff: Megan Palchak (786-7105).

Background:

General provisions of state law designate official Washington State items, such as the state bird (willow goldfinch) and official marine mammal (orca).

Summary of Bill:

The Legislature recognizes that the pine mushroom has an integral relationship with state forests, is an important part of the ecosystem, and is sought after for its distinct smell and delicious flavor. This act designates the pine mushroom as the official Washington state fungi.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

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Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.