HOUSE BILL 1779

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to taxes paid by the department of wildlife;
- 2 creating a new section; and repealing RCW 77.12.201 and 77.12.203.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the
- 5 department of wildlife is the only state agency that pays taxes in lieu
- 6 of property taxes on the property that it owns. The state Constitution
- 7 exempts state property from taxation. The legislature declares that an
- 8 inequity exists as long as the department of wildlife property is
- 9 taxed.
- 10 <u>NEW SECTION</u>. **Sec. 2.** The following acts or parts of acts are
- 11 each repealed:
- 12 (1) RCW 77.12.201 and 1987 c 506 s 29; and
- 13 (2) RCW 77.12.203 and 1990 1st ex.s. c 15 s 11, 1984 c 214 s 2,
- 14 1980 c 78 s 37, & 1965 ex.s. c 97 s 3.