SENATE BILL 5157

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By Senators Barr, Hansen and Rasmussen.

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to hunting or fishing rights off the reservation of
- 2 Indians; and adding a new section to chapter 77.12 RCW.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 77.12 RCW
- 5 to read as follows:
- 6 Unless the wildlife commission first determines that under federal
- 7 law a nontreaty tribe or its members have reservation hunting or
- 8 fishing rights outside the reservation, the department of wildlife may
- 9 not grant any special hunting or fishing privileges or rights outside
- 10 the reservation to such tribe or any of its members. A determination
- 11 made under this section shall be in writing and shall contain the legal
- 12 basis for the determination. The term "special hunting or fishing
- 13 privileges or rights outside the reservation" means privileges or
- 14 rights generally limited to the tribe or its members and not available
- 15 to all other hunters or fishers.