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SENATE BILL 5925

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By Senators Amondson, McDonald, Snyder, Barr, Madsen, Anderson and Conner.

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1            AN ACT Relating to the federal forest resources conservation and  
2 shortage relief act; adding a new section to Title 76 RCW; providing an  
3 effective date; and declaring an emergency.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.**    A new section is added to Title 76 RCW to  
6 read as follows:

7            (1) The board of natural resources shall propose alternative rules  
8 to the rules adopted by the governor's office to implement the federal  
9 forest resources conservation and shortage relief act of 1990. The  
10 rules proposed to be adopted by the board shall: (a) Carry out the  
11 federal law; (b) minimize economic impact on the state trusts; (c)  
12 provide a fair system to all elements of the timber industry, treating  
13 all elements with equity; (d) provide for and allow the largest number  
14 of bidders for state timber. The board of natural resources shall

1 report to the legislature with the proposed rules and with  
2 recommendations on legislative solutions by December 1, 1991.

3 (2) The department of revenue and the department of natural  
4 resources shall jointly prepare an enforcement plan for the federal  
5 forest resources conservation and shortage relief act and shall submit  
6 the joint plan to the legislature by December 1, 1991.

7 (3) The department of natural resources and the department of  
8 revenue shall report to the legislature quarterly beginning July 1,  
9 1991, on the impact of the federal forest resources conservation and  
10 shortage relief act of 1990 on the state trust land. The department of  
11 natural resources and the department of revenue shall as part of the  
12 quarterly report recommend interim measures to reduce the negative  
13 impacts of the federal act.

14 (4) The department of natural resources and the department of  
15 revenue shall jointly prepare a cost estimate of carrying out the  
16 federal forest resources conservation and shortage relief act of 1990  
17 and shall submit a report to the legislature with this cost estimate on  
18 December 1, 1991.

19 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate  
20 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the  
21 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take  
22 effect July 1, 1991.