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SENATE BILL 6047

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By Senator L. Smith

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1 AN ACT Relating to commercial salmon licenses; amending RCW  
2 75.28.035 and 75.28.040; adding new sections to Title 75 RCW; and  
3 providing an effective date.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 75.28.035 and 1989 c 316 s 1 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7 An application for issuance or renewal of a commercial fishing  
8 license shall contain the name and address of the vessel owner, the  
9 name and address of the vessel operator, the name and number of the  
10 vessel, a description of the vessel and fishing gear to be carried on  
11 the vessel, and other information required by the department.

12 At the time of issuance of a commercial fishing license the  
13 director shall furnish the licensee with a vessel registration and two  
14 license decals.

1 Vessel registrations and license decals issued by the director  
2 shall be displayed as provided by rule of the director.

3 A commercial fishing license is not valid if the vessel is operated  
4 by a person other than the operator listed on the license. ((The  
5 director may authorize additional operators for the license. Unless  
6 adjusted by the director pursuant to the director's authority granted  
7 in RCW 75.28.065, the fee for an additional operator is twenty dollars.

8 The vessel owner shall notify the director on forms provided by the  
9 department of changes of ownership or operator and a new license shall  
10 be issued upon payment of a fee of twenty dollars.))

11 A defaced, mutilated, or lost license or license decal shall be  
12 replaced immediately. Unless adjusted by the director pursuant to the  
13 director's authority granted in RCW 75.28.065, the replacement fee is  
14 ten dollars.

15 **Sec. 2.** RCW 75.28.040 and 1983 1st ex.s. c 46 s 108 are each  
16 amended to read as follows:

17 Commercial licenses and permits expire at midnight on December 31st  
18 following their issuance and in accordance with this title may be  
19 renewed annually upon application and payment of the prescribed license  
20 fees and meeting the one thousand pound salmon landing requirement for  
21 salmon licenses.

22 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** In order to renew a commercial salmon  
23 fishing license a licensee must have landed one thousand pounds of  
24 salmon in a Washington state fishery in the immediately previous  
25 calendar year. Department fish tickets shall be required documentation  
26 for this requirement.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 4.**        Commercial salmon licenses may be  
2 transferred to other persons only if the transferee is a spouse or  
3 child of the transferor and the transferee has landed one thousand  
4 pounds of salmon in a Washington state fishery the previous calendar  
5 year.

6        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 5.**        Commercial salmon licensees are the only  
7 persons who may fish with a commercial fishing vessel in a commercial  
8 salmon fishery. Additional operators are not authorized.

9        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 6.**        A person may not be licensed with more  
10 than one commercial salmon fishing license at a time.

11       NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 7.**        The director shall issue a maximum of  
12 one hundred eighty charter boat salmon licenses. The director shall  
13 establish a lottery selection process for calendar year 1993 charter  
14 boat salmon licenses. Only valid 1992 salmon charter boat licenses  
15 shall be eligible for inclusion in the lottery selection. No salmon  
16 landing requirement is required in order to renew salmon charter boat  
17 licenses.

18       NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 8.**        Sections 3 through 7 of this act are  
19 each added to Title 75 RCW.

20       NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 9.**        If any provision of this act or its  
21 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the  
22 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other  
23 persons or circumstances is not affected.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 10.**        This act shall take effect January 1,  
2 1993.