

2 **HB 1168** - S COMM AMD  
3 By Committee on Natural Resources

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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
6 following:

7 "**Sec. 1.** RCW 79.96.010 and 1982 1st ex.s. c 21 s 134 are each  
8 amended to read as follows:

9 The beds of all navigable tidal waters in the state lying below  
10 extreme low tide, except as prohibited by section 1, Article XV, of the  
11 Washington state Constitution shall be subject to lease for the  
12 purposes of planting and cultivating oyster beds, or for the purpose of  
13 cultivating clams or other edible shellfish, or for other aquaculture  
14 use, for periods not to exceed ((ten)) thirty years.

15 ~~((Where the lands are used for the cultivation and harvesting of  
16 oysters, the parcels leased shall not exceed forty acres.~~

17 ~~Where the lands are used for the cultivation and harvesting of  
18 clams or other aquaculture use, the department of natural resources  
19 may, in its discretion, grant leases for larger parcels.))~~

20 Nothing in this section shall prevent any person from leasing more  
21 than one parcel, as offered by the department.

22 **Sec. 2.** RCW 79.96.050 and 1982 1st ex.s. c 21 s 138 are each  
23 amended to read as follows:

24 The department of natural resources may, upon the filing of an  
25 application for a renewal lease, cause the tidelands or beds of  
26 navigable waters to be inspected, and if he deem[s] it in the best  
27 interests of the state to re-lease said lands, he shall issue to the  
28 applicant a renewal lease for such further period not exceeding ((ten))  
29 thirty years and under such terms and conditions as may be determined  
30 by the department: PROVIDED, That in the case of an application for a  
31 renewal lease it shall not be necessary for the lands to be inspected  
32 and reported upon by the director of fisheries."

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4 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "waters;" strike the  
5 remainder of the title and insert "and amending RCW 79.96.010 and  
6 79.96.050."

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