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1 AN ACT Relating to the Olympic natural resources center; amending
2 RCW 76.12.210; adding new sections to chapter 76.12 RCW; adding a new
3 section to chapter 28B.20 RCW; and repealing RCW 76.12.220.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 76.12 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) The Olympic natural resources center shall be administered by
8 the board of directors of the Olympic natural resources center.

9 (2) The board shall represent the various interests concerned with
10 the purposes of the center, including the state and federal
11 governments, environmental organizations, local communities, the timber
12 industry, Indian tribes, marine-related interests, and the provost of
13 the University of Washington.

14 (3) The term of each board member shall be three years.

15 (4) The board shall meet at least quarterly. Board members shall
16 be appointed by the governor. In determining the appointments, the
17 governor shall consult with and seek the recommendation of agencies,
18 organizations, and individuals with expertise in marine-related
19 sciences and forest resources management. The governor shall stagger

1 the terms of the first group of appointees to ensure the long-term
2 continuity of the board.

3 (5) The board shall carry out the duties outlined in RCW 76.12.210.

4 (6) Actual travel expenses incurred in connection with service to
5 the center may be reimbursed from appropriated funds in accordance with
6 RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 76.12 RCW
8 to read as follows:

9 The University of Washington shall provide the affiliated staff,
10 faculty, and facilities required to support the operation of the
11 Olympic natural resources center and the board of directors.

12 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.20 RCW
13 to read as follows:

14 The University of Washington shall provide the affiliated staff,
15 faculty, and facilities required to support the operation of the
16 Olympic natural resources center and the board of directors.

17 **Sec. 4.** RCW 76.12.210 and 1991 c 316 s 2 are each amended to read
18 as follows:

19 The Olympic natural resources center is hereby created at the
20 University of Washington in the college of forest resources and the
21 college of ocean and fishery sciences. The center shall conduct
22 research and education throughout the region and state, and shall
23 maintain facilities and programs in the western portion of the Olympic
24 Peninsula. Its purpose shall be to demonstrate innovative management
25 methods which successfully integrate environmental and economic
26 interests into pragmatic management of forest and ocean resources. The
27 center shall combine research and educational opportunities with
28 experimental forestry, oceans management, and traditional management
29 knowledge into an overall program which demonstrates that management
30 based on sound economic principles is made superior when combined with
31 new methods of management based on ecological principles. The programs
32 developed by the center shall include the following:

33 (1) Research and education on a broad range of ocean resources
34 problems and opportunities in the region, such as estuarine processes,
35 ocean and coastal management, offshore development, fisheries and
36 shellfish enhancement, and coastal business development, tourism, and

1 recreation. In developing this component of the center's program, the
2 center shall collaborate with coastal educational institutions such as
3 Grays Harbor community college and Peninsula community college;

4 (2) Research and education on forest resources management issues on
5 the landscape, ecosystem, or regional level, including issues that
6 cross legal and administrative boundaries;

7 (3) Research and education that broadly integrates marine and
8 terrestrial issues, including interactions of marine, aquatic, and
9 terrestrial ecosystems, and that identifies options and opportunities
10 to integrate the production of commodities with the preservation of
11 ecological values. Where appropriate, programs shall address issues
12 and opportunities that cross legal and administrative boundaries;

13 (4) Research and education on natural resources and their social
14 and economic implications, and on alternative economic and social bases
15 for sustainable, healthy, resource-based communities;

16 (5) Educational opportunities such as workshops, short courses, and
17 continuing education for resource professionals, policy forums,
18 information exchanges including international exchanges where
19 appropriate, conferences, student research, and public education; and

20 (6) Creation of a neutral forum where parties with diverse
21 interests are encouraged to address and resolve their conflicts.

22 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** RCW 76.12.220 and 1991 c 316 s 3 are each
23 repealed.

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