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1 AN ACT Relating to the enhancement of salmon with remote site
2 incubators; adding new sections to chapter 75.50 RCW; and creating a
3 new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the use of salmon
6 enhancement tools such as remote site incubators may present
7 alternatives for salmon enhancement that could reduce disease, be
8 compatible with wild stock goals, and allow for enhancement in small
9 stream systems for which current enhancement techniques are infeasible.
10 The legislature further finds that although remote site incubators have
11 been developed, their success has not been monitored. It is the intent
12 of the legislature to gauge the feasibility of this technique for
13 salmon enhancement in the state.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 75.50 RCW
15 to read as follows:

16 The department shall develop and implement a pilot project in one
17 or more watersheds to test the feasibility of remote site incubators
18 for salmon enhancement. The department shall evaluate, at a minimum,

1 salmon egg survival, fry survival, and adult returns. The department
2 shall use volunteers to implement the pilot project.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 75.50 RCW
4 to read as follows:

5 By December 31, 1993, and each year for the following four years,
6 the department shall report to the appropriate committees of the
7 legislature on the progress and final success of the remote site
8 incubators in the pilot project established in section 2 of this act.

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