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HOUSE BILL 2491

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State of Washington

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By Representatives Basich, Fuhrman, Chappell, Foreman, Quall and Springer

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1 AN ACT Relating to preventing wastage of salmon harvest; adding a  
2 new section to chapter 75.08 RCW; creating a new section; and providing  
3 an effective date.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that wastage of salmon  
6 is an unacceptable state policy. All salmon except those that are  
7 necessary for meeting conservation and escapement goals should be  
8 harvested.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 75.08 RCW  
10 to read as follows:

11 The department shall make every effort to avoid wastage of salmon  
12 by ensuring that all salmon not needed to meet escapement and  
13 conservation goals are harvested by Washington state citizens.  
14 Allocation of harvest between citizens or citizen user groups shall not  
15 be considered justification for wastage of salmon.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 3.**    This act shall take effect July 1, 1994.

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