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**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6264**

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**State of Washington**

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**By** Senate Committee on Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Senators Sutherland, Oke and Fraser)

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1 AN ACT Relating to an interstate compact for restoration of native  
2 salmonid fish runs; adding new sections to chapter 75.40 RCW; and  
3 providing an effective date.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 75.40 RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7 The state of Washington is authorized to enter into an interstate  
8 compact or compacts with all or any of the states of California, Idaho,  
9 and Oregon to protect and restore coastal ecosystems of these states to  
10 levels that will prevent the need for listing any native salmonid fish  
11 species under the federal endangered species act of 1973, as amended,  
12 or under any comparable state legislation.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 75.40 RCW  
14 to read as follows:

15 Until such time as the agencies in California, Idaho, Oregon, and  
16 Washington present a final proposed interstate compact for enactment by  
17 their respective legislative bodies, the governor may establish  
18 cooperative agreements with the states of California, Idaho, and Oregon

1 that allow the states to coordinate their individual efforts in  
2 developing state programs that further the region-wide goals set forth  
3 under section 1 of this act.

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

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