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Sponsor(s): Representatives Rayburn, Chandler and Jacobsen; by request of Department of Agriculture

Brief Description: Modifying the regulation of apiaries.

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(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Establishes an apiary advisory committee.

Provides for an apiary inspection program to promote improved apicultural practices, combat bee pests, facilitate the interstate movement of honey bees, assure availability of bee colonies for pollination, and provide education to promote the vitality of the apiary industry.

Establishes registration requirements and provides a fee schedule.

Establishes criminal and civil penalties for violations of the act.

Provides for the establishment of apiary coordinated areas in eastern Washington.

Repeals RCW 15.60.200.