1785

Sponsor(s): Representatives Locke, J. Kohl, Rust, Jacobsen, Wineberry, Shin, Dunshee, Holm, Pruitt, Jones, Finkbeiner, King, Basich, Quall, Orr, Johanson, Leonard and Anderson

Brief Description: Creating jobs to restore and enhance Washington's estuaries, waterways, forests, and watersheds.

HB 1785 - DIGEST

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Provides financial resources to local governments to increase the implementation of and compliance with the Puget Sound water quality plan, and to keep and create environmentally sound, high wage, and stable employment in the Puget Sound region.

Establishes the environmental and forest restoration account. Establishes criteria for the award of grants, loans, or contracts for projects.

Establishes eligibility for employment on the projects.

Creates a marine fuels excise tax.

Provides criminal and civil actions for violations of the act. Imposes a new motor vehicle excise tax.

Increases the annual motor vehicle excise tax.