

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT
SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1681

Chapter 363, Laws of 1999

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PRIVATELY-GROWN TROUT--STATE PURCHASE

EFFECTIVE DATE: 5/17/99

Passed by the House April 24, 1999
Yeas 91 Nays 5

JOHN E. PENNINGTON, JR.
Speaker of the House of Representatives

FRANK CHOPP
Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate April 22, 1999
Yeas 42 Nays 0

BRAD OWEN
President of the Senate

Approved May 17, 1999

GARY LOCKE
Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

We, Dean R. Foster and Timothy A. Martin, Co-Chief Clerks of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SECOND SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1681** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

DEAN R. FOSTER
Chief Clerk

TIMOTHY A. MARTIN
Chief Clerk

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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By House Committee on Appropriations (originally sponsored by Representatives Buck, Grant, Sump, Schoesler, Boldt, Mastin and McMorris)

Read first time 03/08/1999.

1 AN ACT Relating to state purchase of privately grown trout for
2 planting in state waters; adding new sections to Title 77 RCW; creating
3 a new section; and declaring an emergency.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that it is beneficial
6 to improve opportunities for trout fishing in order to satisfy the
7 public's demand for recreational fishing during a time of declining
8 opportunities to catch anadromous salmon and steelhead trout.

9 Fish farmers can produce trout in a triploid genetic configuration
10 for the purpose of certifying that the fish are sterile and that they
11 cannot interbreed with wild trout. These fish are ideally suited to
12 planting into public lakes and ponds to provide immediate recreational
13 fishing at a reasonable cost. The fish continue to grow throughout
14 their life cycle and have the potential to grow to trophy size.

15 Planting of these catchable trout can provide increased angler
16 participation, increased fishing license sales, increased tourism
17 activities, and a boost to local economies.

18 The department of fish and wildlife is authorized to purchase these
19 privately produced fish to supplement existing department trout

1 hatchery production. The planting of these catchable trout in water
2 bodies with water quality sufficient to support fish life must not have
3 an adverse impact on the wild trout population.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** The fish and wildlife commission in
5 consultation with the department is authorized to determine which
6 waters of the state are appropriate for this use during the 1999 and
7 2000 calendar years. In making this determination, the commission
8 shall seek geographic distribution to assure opportunity to fishers
9 state-wide.

10 The commission in consultation with the department will determine
11 the maximum number of fish that may be planted into state waters so as
12 not to compete with the wild populations of fish species in the water
13 body.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** The fish and wildlife commission may
15 authorize purchase of privately produced fish for the purposes of
16 sections 1 and 2 of this act only if the cost of the program will be
17 recovered by the estimated increase in revenue from license sales and
18 federal funds directly attributable to the planting of these privately
19 purchased fish.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** The department of fish and wildlife shall
21 report to the appropriate legislative committees by February 1, 2001,
22 regarding the implementation of this act. The report shall include
23 information regarding the location and number of fish planted, the size
24 of the fish planted, and information relating to the cost-effectiveness
25 of the catchable trout program, including an estimate of new license
26 revenues generated by the programs.

27 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** Sections 1 through 3 of this act are each
28 added to Title 77 RCW.

29 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** This act is necessary for the immediate
30 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the
31 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect
32 immediately.

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