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Brief Description: Preventing private ownership of dangerous wild animals.

**HB 2675 - DIGEST**

Declares an intent of the state of Washington to protect the public against the health and safety risks that dangerous wild animals pose to the community and to protect the welfare of individual animals held in private possession. By their very nature, these animals are wild and inherently dangerous and, as such, do not adjust well to a captive environment.

Declares it is unlawful for any person to own, possess, keep, harbor, bring, or have in one's possession a dangerous wild animal, except in compliance with this act.

Declares it is unlawful for the owner or any other person in control of a lot, tract, or parcel of land or any residence or business premises situated thereon to knowingly permit any other person to be in possession of a dangerous wild animal upon the property, residence, or premises, except in compliance with this act.