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Sponsor(s): Senators Jacobsen, McAuliffe, Rasmussen, Kohl-Welles, Oke and Patterson

Brief Description: Creating the wildlife conservationist award program.

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Declares that the purpose of the program is to recognize individuals who have made outstanding contributions toward conserving Washington's diverse plant and animal populations.

Declares that the program consists of two annual awards.

Declares that the recipient of each award is entitled to select a nonprofit wildlife conservation organization to receive a sum of up to twenty-five thousand dollars from the state.

Directs the department to develop guidelines for selecting award recipients and incorporate into the program elements that provide for public recognition of the contributions made by the recipients.

Authorizes the department to create an advisory committee to assist the department in developing the guidelines and in selecting recipients.