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By Committee on Parks, Fish & Wildlife

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 77.15 RCW
4 to read as follows:

5 Since violation of rules of the department relating to the
6 accounting of the commercial harvest of food fish, commercialized game
7 fish, and shellfish result in damage to the resources of the state,
8 persons selling such fish and shellfish at retail, including but not
9 limited to stores, markets, and restaurants, must maintain sufficient
10 records for the department to be able to ascertain the origin of the
11 fish and shellfish in their possession.

12 (1) A retail fish seller is guilty of retail fish seller's failure
13 to account for commercial harvest if the retail seller sells fish or
14 shellfish at retail, the fish or shellfish were required to be entered
15 on a Washington state fish receiving ticket, the seller is not a
16 wholesale fish dealer or fisher selling under a direct retail sale
17 endorsement, and the seller fails to maintain sufficient records at the
18 location where the fish or shellfish are being sold to determine the
19 following:

20 (a) The name of the wholesale fish dealer or fisher selling under
21 a direct retail sale endorsement from whom the fish were purchased;

22 (b) The wholesale fish dealer's license number or the number of the
23 fisher's sale under a direct retail sale endorsement;

24 (c) The fish receiving ticket number documenting original receipt,
25 if known;

26 (d) The date of purchase; and

27 (e) The amount of fish or shellfish originally purchased from the
28 wholesale dealer or fisher selling under a direct retail sale
29 endorsement.

1 (2) A retail fish seller's failure to account for commercial
2 harvest is a misdemeanor."

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3 On page 1, beginning on line 2 of the title, after "fish;" strike
4 the remainder of the title and insert "adding a new section to chapter
5 77.15 RCW; and prescribing penalties."

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