HOUSE BILL REPORT HB 1349

As Passed House:

February 28, 2003

Title: An act relating to making technical corrections to the Revised Code of Washington under the authority of RCW 1.08.025.

Brief Description: Correcting obsolete references to fish and wildlife statutes.

Sponsors: By Representatives Flannigan and Moeller; by request of Office of the Code Reviser.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Judiciary: 2/6/03, 2/11/03 [DP].

Floor Activity:

Passed House: 2/28/03, 95-0.

Brief Summary of Bill

 Makes technical corrections to various sections of the Revised Code of Washington.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 9 members: Representatives Lantz, Chair; Moeller, Vice Chair; Carrell, Ranking Minority Member; McMahan, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Campbell, Flannigan, Kirby, Lovick and Newhouse.

Staff: Edie Adams (786-7180).

Background:

Inaccuracies in the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) may occur in a variety of ways. Sections may be repealed, recodified or amended in a way that changes their internal numbering, or drafting and typographical errors may be made in the drafting process.

In the 2000 session, the Legislature merged the titles relating to fisheries and wildlife (Titles 75 and 77) into one title, Title 77. Title 75 was recodified, repealed, and/or

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decodified in its entirety, and some provisions of Title 77 were recodified as new sections within Title 77. As a result, there are many inaccurate citations throughout the RCW that still reference provisions of Title 75 or provisions of Title 77 that have been recodified.

Summary of Bill:

Various provisions of the Revised Code of Washington are amended to correct inaccurate cross-references that resulted from the recodification, repeal and decodification of Title 75 and the recodification of provisions of Title 77.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not Requested.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: This bill is brought by the Office of the Code Reviser, which has the statutory duty to correct inaccuracies in the code.

Testimony Against: None.

Testified: Representative Flannigan, prime sponsor; and Dennis Cooper, Office of the Code Reviser.