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- 1 AN ACT Relating to a limitation on state-owned farmland in 2 reclamation project irrigation districts; and amending RCW 89.12.090.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

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4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 89.12.090 and 1943 c 275 s 9 are each amended to read 5 as follows:

Whenever a district to which this chapter applies is organized or in process of organization, the state of Washington, by and through its proper officials, is authorized and directed to have any state lands within the exterior boundaries of such district included as a part of the lands of such district. The state hereby consents to the assessment by the district of such state lands so included in any such irrigation district, and to the enforcement of the payment of such assessments in like manner and to the same extent as applicable to private lands in such districts, except that the payment of such assessment against such state lands shall not be enforced by transfer of title, by tax sale, tax foreclosure or otherwise, until the state has sold or transferred such lands to a private party. State lands within a district that have been segregated into farm units or are

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- 1 otherwise receiving water by means of project works shall not exceed
- 2 the acreage held as of January 1, 2004.

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