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Sponsor(s): Representatives Carrell, Haigh, O'Brien and Shabro

Brief Description: Using dogs for fighting.

**HB 1257 - DIGEST**

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Provides that any person who sells or purchases any dog (Canidae) with the intent that the dog shall be engaged in an exhibition of fighting with another animal is guilty of a gross misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment not to exceed one year, or by a fine not to exceed five thousand dollars, or by both fine and imprisonment.

Declares that mere ownership or possession of any animal does not create a presumption that the animal is owned or possessed for any purpose prohibited under chapter 16.52 RCW.