

1380-S

Sponsor(s): House Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources
(originally sponsored by Representatives Ericksen, Sump, Mielke,
Ahern, Clements, Hatfield, Pearson, Buck, Sullivan and Carrell)

Brief Description: Criminalizing interference with certain mining
rights and activities. Revised for 1st Substitute: Criminalizing
interference with certain mining rights and activities. (REVISED
FOR PASSED LEGISLATURE: Criminalizing mineral trespass.)

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(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Declares that a person commits the crime of mineral trespass
if the person intentionally and without the permission of the claim
holder or person conducting the mining operation: (1) Interferes
with a lawful mining operation or stops, or causes to be stopped,
a lawful mining operation;

(2) Enters a mining claim posted as required in chapter 78.08
RCW and disturbs, removes, or attempts to remove any mineral from
the claim site;

(3) Tampers with or disturbs a flume, rocker box, bedrock
sluice, sluice box, dredge, quartz mill, or other mining equipment
at a posted mining claim; or

(4) Defaces a location stake, side post, corner post,
landmark, monument, or posted written notice within a posted mining
claim.

Provides that mineral trespass is a class C felony.