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SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2387

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By House Committee on Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks (originally sponsored by Representatives B. Sullivan and Chase; by request of Department of Natural Resources)

READ FIRST TIME 01/27/06.

1 AN ACT Relating to exchange of state lands; and reenacting and 2 amending RCW 79.17.010.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 Sec. 1. RCW 79.17.010 and 2003 1st sp.s. c 25 s 939 and 2003 c 334 5 s 452 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

6 (1) The department, with the approval of the board, may exchange 7 any state land and any timber thereon for any land of equal value in 8 order to:

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(a) Facilitate the marketing of forest products of state lands;

10 (b) Consolidate and block-up state lands;

11 (c) Acquire lands having commercial recreational leasing potential;

12 (d) Acquire county-owned lands;

(e) Acquire urban property which has greater income potential or which could be more efficiently managed by the department in exchange for state urban lands as defined in RCW 79.19.100; or

16 (f) Acquire any other lands when such exchange is determined by the 17 board to be in the best interest of the trust for which the state land 18 is held. (2) Land exchanged under this section shall not be used to reduce
the publicly owned forest land base.

3 (3) The board shall determine that each land exchange is in the 4 best interest of the trust for which the land is held prior to 5 authorizing the land exchange.

(4) ((During the biennium ending June 30, 2005, the department, 6 7 with approval of the board, may exchange any state land and any timber thereon for any land and proceeds of equal value.)) When undertaking 8 exchanges under this section, the department may receive land and 9 proceeds in exchange for land of equal value. Proceeds may be in the 10 form of cash or services in order to achieve the purposes established 11 12 in this section. Any cash received as part of an exchange transaction 13 shall be deposited in the resource management cost account to pay for 14 administrative expenses incurred in carrying out an exchange transaction. The amount of proceeds received from the exchange partner 15 may not exceed five percent of the total value of the exchange. 16 The 17 receipt of proceeds shall not change the character of the transaction 18 from an exchange to a sale.

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