

HOUSE BILL 1476

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1 AN ACT Relating to charter licenses; and amending RCW 77.65.150.

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

3 Sec. 1. RCW 77.65.150 and 2006 c 186 s 1 are each amended to read
4 as follows:

5 (1) The director shall issue the charter licenses and angler
6 permits listed in this section according to the requirements of this
7 title. The licenses and permits and their annual fees and surcharges
8 are:

	License or Permit	Annual Fee		Governing
		(RCW 77.95.090 Surcharge)		Section
		Resident	Nonresident	
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12	(a) Nonsalmon charter	\$225	\$375	
13	(b) Salmon charter	\$380	\$685	RCW 77.70.050
14		(plus \$100)	(plus \$100)	
15	(c) Salmon angler	\$ 0	\$ 0	RCW 77.70.060
16	(d) Salmon roe	\$ 95	\$ 95	RCW 77.65.350

1 (2) A salmon charter license designating a vessel is required to
2 operate a charter boat from which persons may, for a fee, fish for
3 salmon, other food fish, and shellfish. The director may issue a
4 salmon charter license only to a person who meets the qualifications of
5 RCW 77.70.050.

6 (3) A nonsalmon charter license designating a vessel is required to
7 operate a charter boat from which persons may, for a fee, fish for food
8 fish other than salmon, albacore tuna, and shellfish.

9 (4)(a) "Charter boat" means a vessel from which persons may, for a
10 fee, fish for food fish or shellfish for personal use in those state
11 waters set forth in (b) of this subsection. "Charter boat" also means
12 a vessel from which persons may, for a fee, fish for food fish or
13 shellfish for personal use in offshore waters or in the waters of other
14 states. The director may specify by rule when a vessel is a "charter
15 boat" within this definition.

16 (b) A person may not operate a vessel from which persons may, for
17 a fee, fish for food fish or shellfish in Puget Sound, Grays Harbor,
18 Willapa Bay, Pacific Ocean waters, Lake Washington, or the Columbia
19 river below the bridge at Longview unless the vessel is designated on
20 a charter boat license.

21 (5) A charter boat licensed in Oregon may fish without a Washington
22 charter license under the same rules as Washington charter boat
23 operators in ocean waters within the jurisdiction of Washington state
24 from the southern border of the state of Washington to Leadbetter
25 Point, as long as the Oregon vessel does not take on or discharge
26 passengers for any purpose from any Washington port, the Washington
27 shore, or a dock, landing, or other point in Washington. The
28 provisions of this subsection shall be in effect as long as the state
29 of Oregon has reciprocal laws and regulations.

30 (6) A salmon charter license under subsection (1)(b) of this
31 section may be renewed if the license holder notifies the department by
32 May 1st of that year that he or she will not participate in the fishery
33 during that calendar year. The license holder must pay the one
34 hundred-dollar enhancement surcharge, plus a fifteen-dollar handling
35 charge, in order to be considered a valid renewal and eligible to renew
36 the license the following year.

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