SENATE BILL 6465

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- AN ACT Relating to temporary fishing license fees; and amending RCW
- 2 77.32.470.

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- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 77.32.470 and 2007 c 442 s 5 are each amended to read 5 as follows:
 - (1) A personal use saltwater, freshwater, combination, temporary, or family fishing weekend license is required for all persons fifteen years of age or older to fish for or possess fish taken for personal use from state waters or offshore waters.
- 10 (2) The fees for annual personal use saltwater, freshwater, or 11 combination licenses are as follows:
 - (a) A combination license allows the holder to fish for or possess fish, shellfish, and seaweed from state waters or offshore waters. The fee for this license is thirty-six dollars for residents, seventy-two dollars for nonresidents, and five dollars for youth. There is an additional fifty-cent surcharge for this license, to be deposited in the rockfish research account created (({in})) in RCW 77.12.702.
- 18 (b) A saltwater license allows the holder to fish for or possess 19 fish taken from saltwater areas. The fee for this license is eighteen

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dollars for residents, thirty-six dollars for nonresidents, and five dollars for resident seniors. There is an additional fifty-cent surcharge for this license, to be deposited in the rockfish research account created (([in])) in RCW 77.12.702.

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- (c) A freshwater license allows the holder to fish for, take, or possess food fish or game fish species in all freshwater areas. The fee for this license is twenty dollars for residents, forty dollars for nonresidents, and five dollars for resident seniors.
- 9 (3)(a) A temporary combination fishing license is valid for one to 10 five consecutive days and allows the holder to fish for or possess 11 fish, shellfish, and seaweed taken from state waters or offshore 12 waters. The fee for this temporary fishing license is:
- 13 (i) One day Seven dollars for residents and fourteen dollars for 14 nonresidents;
- 15 (ii) Two days Ten dollars for residents and twenty dollars for 16 nonresidents;
- 17 (iii) Three days Thirteen dollars for residents and twenty-six dollars for nonresidents;
- 19 (iv) Four days Fifteen dollars for residents and thirty dollars 20 for nonresidents; and
- 21 (v) Five days Seventeen dollars for residents and thirty-four 22 dollars for nonresidents.
 - (b) The fee for a charter stamp is seven dollars for a one-day temporary combination fishing license for residents and nonresidents for use on a charter boat as defined in RCW 77.65.150.
 - (c) A transaction fee to support the automated licensing system will be taken from the amounts set forth in this subsection for temporary licenses.
 - (d) Except for active duty military personnel serving in any branch of the United States armed forces, the temporary combination fishing license is not valid on game fish species for an eight-consecutive-day period beginning on the opening day of the lowland lake fishing season.
- 33 (e) The temporary combination fishing license fee for active duty
 34 military personnel serving in any branch of the United States armed
 35 forces is the resident rate as set forth in (a) of this subsection.
 36 Active duty military personnel must provide a valid military
 37 identification card at the time of purchase of the temporary license to
 38 gualify for the resident rate.

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(f) There is an additional fifty-cent surcharge on the temporary combination fishing license and the associated charter stamp, to be deposited in the rockfish research account created in RCW 77.12.702.

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- (4) A family fishing weekend license allows for a maximum of six anglers: One resident and five youth; two residents and four youth; or one resident, one nonresident, and four youth. This license allows the holders to fish for or possess fish taken from state waters or offshore waters. The fee for this license is twenty dollars. This license is only valid during periods as specified by rule of the department.
- (5) The commission may adopt rules to create and sell combination licenses for all hunting and fishing activities at or below a fee equal to the total cost of the individual license contained within any combination.

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