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SENATE BILL 6906

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By Senators Swecker, Roach, and Rasmussen

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1            AN ACT Relating to mitigation for hydraulic projects undertaken in  
2 response to a flood event; and amending RCW 77.55.271.

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

4            **Sec. 1.** RCW 77.55.271 and 1997 c 424 s 5 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6            (1) The department shall not require mitigation for:

7            (a) Sediment dredging or capping actions that result in a cleaner  
8 aquatic environment and equal or better habitat functions and values,  
9 if the actions are taken under a state or federal cleanup action; or

10            (b) Emergency oral permits issued under RCW 77.55.021(8) issued in  
11 response to a flood event.

12            (2) This chapter shall not be construed to require habitat  
13 mitigation for navigation and maintenance dredging of existing channels  
14 and berthing areas.

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