

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

Approved

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Thomas Hoemann, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 5113** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

Secretary

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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By Senators Schoesler, Rasmussen, Holmquist, Clements, Morton,
Hatfield and Pridemore

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Rural Economic Development.

1 AN ACT Relating to barley straw for water clarification; and adding
2 a new section to chapter 90.48 RCW.

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

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 90.48 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, the
7 application of barley straw to waters of the state for the purposes of
8 water clarification does not require a state waste discharge permit as
9 long as the following provisions are met:

10 (a) The barley straw is applied at a rate of up to two hundred
11 twenty-five pounds per acre of surface water;

12 (b) Whole bales or tightly packed straw are not used. Straw must
13 be loosely packed in nylon or mesh bags;

14 (c) Bags of straw are placed where control is desired, such as
15 around docks and swim areas, and around inlets to aid in aeration or
16 mixing;

17 (d) The bags must be staked or anchored in place;

18 (e) Straw is placed in early spring, prior to the growth of algae;

19 and

1 (f) Bags are removed four to six months after placement and must
2 not be left in the water over winter.

3 (2) The placement of barley straw into waters of the state in any
4 other instance is not authorized absent a permit.

5 (3) This section does not alter any permit requirement that may
6 exist under chapter 77.55 RCW.

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