## HOUSE BILL 1682

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**By** Representatives Newhouse, Kretz, Chandler, Upthegrove, Johnson, and Ross

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1 AN ACT Relating to horticultural pest and disease boards; and 2 amending RCW 15.09.030.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 15.09.030 and 1988 c 254 s 7 are each amended to read 5 as follows:

6 Each horticultural pest and disease board shall be comprised of 7 five voting members, four of whom shall be appointed by the board of 8 county commissioners and one of whom shall be appointed by the 9 director. In addition, the chief county extension agent, or a county 10 extension agent appointed by the chief agent, shall be a nonvoting 11 member of the board.

Of the four members appointed by the board of county commissioners, 12 13 one of such members shall have at least a practical knowledge of horticultural pests and diseases, and the other members shall be 14 15 residents of the county, shall own land within the county and shall be 16 engaged in the primary and commercial production of a horticultural product or products. Such appointed members shall serve a term of two 17 18 years and shall serve without salary. If no such qualified candidate 19 resides in the county, a nonresident that owns property in the county

- 1 and is engaged in the primary and commercial production of a
- 2 horticultural product or products may be appointed as a member of the
- 3 <u>horticultural pest and disease board.</u>

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