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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1708**

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**State of Washington**

**61st Legislature**

**2009 Regular Session**

**By** House Agriculture & Natural Resources (originally sponsored by Representatives Nelson, Simpson, Chase, White, Cody, Upthegrove, Williams, McCoy, Appleton, Dickerson, Darneille, and Goodman)

READ FIRST TIME 02/23/09.

1       AN ACT Relating to wells on lands adjacent to the Maury Island  
2 aquatic reserve; and creating a new section.

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

4       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that the Maury Island  
5 aquatic reserve is an important native ecosystem in Washington that  
6 benefits both the aquatic habitat and species in the state.

7       It is the intent of the legislature that the lands adjacent to the  
8 Maury Island aquatic reserve be protected in order to preserve the  
9 ecosystem of the aquatic reserve. By protecting the lands adjacent to  
10 the Maury Island aquatic reserve it is the intent of the legislature to  
11 safeguard the sole source aquifer and springs from which many residents  
12 of Maury Island rely on as their drinking water.

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