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SENATE BILL 6743

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By Senators McDermott and Kauffman

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1 AN ACT Relating to archaeological investigations on private land;  
2 and reenacting and amending RCW 27.53.070.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 27.53.070 and 2005 c 333 s 21 and 2005 c 274 s 243 are  
5 each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

6 It is the declared intention of the legislature that field  
7 investigations on privately owned lands should be (~~discouraged~~  
8 ~~except~~) conducted by professional archaeologists in accordance with  
9 both the provisions and spirit of this chapter (~~and~~). Persons having  
10 knowledge of the location of archaeological sites or resources are  
11 encouraged to communicate such information to the department. Such  
12 information shall not constitute a public record which requires  
13 disclosure pursuant to the exception authorized in chapter 42.56 RCW to  
14 avoid site depredation.

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