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1   On page 8, line 15 of the striking amendment, after "(5)" insert
2 "(a) All new and renewal applications submitted under RCW 69.25.050 on
3 or after January 1, 2018, must, in addition to complying with all
4 provisions of this section, include proof that all eggs and egg
5 products provided in intrastate commerce by the applicant are produced
6 by commercial egg layer operations that do not, except as otherwise
7 provided in this subsection, confine egg-laying hens to cages that:
8   (i) Prevent the hen from turning around freely, lying down,
9 standing up, or fully extending the hen's wings; or
10   (ii) Are stacked or otherwise placed on top of or below another
11 cage confining one or more egg-laying hens.
12   (b) Nothing in this subsection limits the ability of the
13 department to issue a new or renewal license if the applicant
14 commercial egg layer operation only violates the provisions of this
15 subsection in the following instances:
16   (i) During medical research;
17   (ii) During examinations, testing, individual treatments, or
18 veterinarian operations;
19   (iii) During transportation;
20   (iv) During temporary confinement for animal husbandry purposes
21 for no more than twelve hours in any twenty-four hour period;
22   (v) During state or county fair exhibitions and similar
23 exhibitions or educations programs; and
24   (vi) During humane slaughter in accordance with all applicable
25 laws and regulations.
26   (c) The requirements of this subsection must be satisfied
27 regardless of any conflicts that may exist among the requirements of

1 this section and the requirements contained in the standards

2 identified in (1) through (4) of this section.

3   (6)"

EFFECT: Requires, with some exceptions, all commercial egg layer operations to only use cages after January 1, 2018 that allows the hen to turn around freely, lay down, stand up, and fully extending the hen's wings and prohibits the cages of hens from being stacked or otherwise placed on top of or below another cage.

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