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OLYMPIC NATURAL RESOURCES CENTER

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BRAD OWEN

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**President of the Senate**

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**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

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CHRISTINE GREGOIRE  
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**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 **SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5997** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

THOMAS HOEMANN

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**Secretary**

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**Secretary of State  
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**By** Senate Energy, Natural Resources & Marine Waters (originally sponsored by Senator Hargrove)

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1            AN ACT Relating to the Olympic natural resources center; and  
2 amending RCW 43.30.820 and 43.30.810.

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

4            **Sec. 1.** RCW 43.30.820 and 2010 1st sp.s. c 7 s 74 are each amended  
5 to read as follows:

6            (1) The Olympic natural resources center shall operate under the  
7 authority of the board of regents of the University of Washington. It  
8 shall be administered by a director appointed jointly by the ((deans))  
9 directors of the ((college)) school of environmental and forest  
10 ((resources)) sciences and the ((college)) school of ((ocean)) aquatic  
11 and fishery sciences. The director of the center shall be a member of  
12 the faculty of one of those ((colleges)) schools. The director of the  
13 center shall appoint and maintain a scientific or technical committee,  
14 and other committees as necessary, to advise the director on the  
15 efficiency, effectiveness, and quality of the center's activities.

16            (2) The governor must appoint a policy advisory board consisting of  
17 eleven members, who serve at the pleasure of the governor, to advise  
18 the directors of the school of environmental and forest sciences, the  
19 school of aquatic and fishery sciences, and the Olympic natural

1 resources center on policies for the center that are consistent with  
2 its purposes. Membership on the policy advisory board must broadly  
3 represent the various interests concerned with the purposes of the  
4 center, including the Washington state department of natural resources  
5 and state and federal government, environmental, local community,  
6 timber industry, and tribal interests. Policy advisory board members  
7 shall serve four-year terms and are eligible for reappointment.

8 (3) Service on boards and committees of the Olympic natural  
9 resources center is without compensation but actual travel expenses  
10 incurred in connection with service to the center may be reimbursed  
11 from appropriated funds in accordance with RCW 43.03.050 and 43.03.060.

12 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.30.810 and 1991 c 316 s 2 are each amended to read  
13 as follows:

14 (1) The Olympic natural resources center is hereby created at the  
15 University of Washington in the ((college)) school of environmental and  
16 forest ((resources)) sciences and the ((college)) school of ((ocean))  
17 aquatic and fishery sciences.

18 (2) The Olympic natural resources center shall maintain facilities  
19 and programs in the western portion of the Olympic Peninsula. ((Its))  
20 The purpose ((shall be)) of the center is to demonstrate innovative  
21 management methods which successfully integrate environmental, energy,  
22 marine, and economic interests into pragmatic management of forest and  
23 ocean resources. The center shall combine research and educational  
24 opportunities with experimental forestry, oceans management, and  
25 traditional management knowledge into an overall program which  
26 demonstrates that management based on sound economic principles is made  
27 superior when combined with new methods of management based on  
28 ecological principles. The programs developed by the center shall  
29 include the following:

30 ((+1)) (a) Research and education on a broad range of ocean  
31 resources problems and opportunities in the region, such as estuarine  
32 processes, ocean and coastal management, renewable energy production,  
33 offshore development, fisheries and shellfish enhancement, and coastal  
34 business development, tourism, and recreation. In developing this  
35 component of the center's program, the center shall collaborate with  
36 coastal educational institutions such as Grays Harbor community college  
37 and Peninsula community college;

1       (~~(+2)~~) (b) Research and education on forest resources management  
2 issues on the landscape, ecosystem, or regional level, including issues  
3 that cross legal and administrative boundaries;

4       (~~(+3)~~) (c) Research and education that broadly integrates marine  
5 and terrestrial issues, including interactions of marine, aquatic, and  
6 terrestrial ecosystems, and that identifies options and opportunities  
7 to integrate the production of commodities with the preservation of  
8 ecological values. Where appropriate, programs shall address issues  
9 and opportunities that cross legal and administrative boundaries;

10       (~~(+4)~~) (d) Research and education on natural resources and their  
11 social and economic implications, and on alternative economic and  
12 social bases for sustainable, healthy, resource-based communities;

13       (~~(+5)~~) (e) Educational opportunities such as workshops, short  
14 courses, and continuing education for resource professionals, policy  
15 forums, information exchanges including international exchanges where  
16 appropriate, conferences, student research, and public education; and

17       (~~(+6)~~) (f) Creation of a neutral forum where parties with diverse  
18 interests are encouraged to address and resolve their conflicts.

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