

ESSB 5322 - H AMD TO ENVI COMM AMD (H-2405.2/19) **557**

By Representative Boehnke

NOT CONSIDERED 12/23/2019

1 On page 9, after line 36 of the striking amendment, insert the
2 following:

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4 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** (1) The department of ecology shall
5 conduct a comprehensive study of the laws and regulations related to
6 motorized and gravity siphon aquatic mining in the following states:
7 California, Nevada, Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, and Oregon.

8 (2) The department of ecology shall submit the results of the
9 study to the standing committees of the legislature with jurisdiction
10 over water quality, mineral prospecting, and fisheries, consistent
11 with RCW 43.01.036, by November 15, 2019."

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EFFECT: Requires the Department of Ecology (Ecology) to
conduct a study of the manner in which motorized and gravity siphon
aquatic mining is regulated in the states of California, Nevada,
Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, and Oregon. Requires Ecology to submit the
study to the standing committees of the Legislature with
jurisdiction over water quality, mineral prospecting, and fisheries,
no later than November 15, 2019.

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