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By Committee on Rural Development, Agriculture & Natural Resources

Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

3 "Sec. 1. RCW 79.11.130 and 2003 c 381 s 4 and 2003 c 334 s 346 4 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

5 (1) The department shall give notice of the sale by advertisement 6 published not fewer than two times during a four-week period prior to the time of sale in at least one newspaper of general circulation in 7 the county in which the whole, or any part of any lot, block, or 8 tract of land to be sold is situated, and by posting a copy of the 9 notice ((in a conspicuous place in the department's Olympia office,)) 10 11 on the department's public website and in the region headquarters administering such sale($(_{\tau}$ and in the office of the county auditor of 12 13 such county)). The notice shall specify the place, date, and time of sale, the appraised value of the land, describe with particularity 14 each parcel of land to be sold, and specify that the terms of sale 15 16 will be available in the region headquarters and the department's 17 ((Olympia office)) public website.

18 (2) The advertisement is for informational purposes only, and 19 under no circumstances does the information in the notice of sale 20 constitute a warranty that the purchaser will receive the stated 21 values, volumes, or acreage. All purchasers are expected to make 22 their own measurements, evaluations, and appraisals.

(3) The department shall print a list of all public lands and the 23 24 appraised value thereof, that are to be sold. This list should be ((published in a pamphlet form to be issued)) made available at least 25 26 four weeks prior to the date of any sale of the lands. The list should be organized by county and by alphabetical order, and provide 27 sale information to prospective buyers. The department shall retain 28 for free distribution in the ((Olympia office and the)) region 29 30 offices sufficient copies of the ((pamphlet)) list, to be kept in a 31 conspicuous place, and, when requested so to do, shall mail copies of

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1 the ((pamphlet)) <u>list</u> as issued to any requesting applicant. The 2 department may seek additional means of publishing the information in 3 the ((pamphlet)) <u>list</u>, such as on the internet, to increase the 4 number of prospective buyers.

5 (((4) The sale of valuable materials appraised at an amount not 6 exceeding two hundred fifty thousand dollars, as described in RCW 7 79.01.200 and as authorized by the board of natural resources, are

8 exempt from the requirements of subsection (3) of this section.))

9 Sec. 2. RCW 79.15.070 and 2003 c 334 s 350 are each amended to 10 read as follows:

11 It is the duty of the department to fix the date, time, and place 12 of sale.

(1) All valuable materials shall have been appraised prior to thedate fixed for sale as prescribed in RCW 79.15.060.

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(2) No sale may be conducted on any day that is a legal holiday.

16 (3) Sales must be held between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 17 p.m. If all sales cannot be offered within this time period, the sale 18 must continue on the following day between the hours of 10:00 a.m. 19 and 4:00 p.m.

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(4) Sales must take place((÷

21 (a) At)) at the department's ((regional office)) region
22 headquarters having jurisdiction over the respective sale((+)) or

(((b) On county property designated by the board of county commissioners or county legislative authority of the county in which the whole or majority of valuable materials are situated)) at an alternate location designated by the department.

27 Sec. 3. RCW 79.15.080 and 2006 c 42 s 2 are each amended to read 28 as follows:

29 (1) Sales, other than direct sales, appraised at an amount not 30 exceeding two hundred fifty thousand dollars, when such sales have been authorized by the board ((for sale)), shall be advertised by 31 publishing not less than ten days prior to sale a notice of such sale 32 in <u>either</u> a newspaper of general circulation ((located nearest to the 33 property from which the valuable material is to be sold)), the 34 department's public website, or another method deemed most practical 35 36 by the department.

1 (2) Except as provided in RCW 79.15.050, all other proposed sales 2 of valuable materials must be advertised through individual notice of 3 sale and publication of a statewide list of sales.

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(a) The notice of sale:

5 (i) Must specify the place, date, and time of sale, the appraised 6 value thereof, and describe with particularity each parcel of land 7 from which valuable materials are to be sold. The estimated volume 8 will be identified and the terms of sale will be available in the 9 region headquarters and the department's Olympia office;

10 (ii) May prescribe that the bid deposit required in RCW 79.15.110 11 be considered an opening bid;

12 (iii) May be advertised by newspaper or by other means of 13 publishing the information such as on the ((internet)) department's 14 public website; and

(iv) Must be posted in a conspicuous place in ((the department's Olympia office and in)) the region headquarters administering the sale((, and in the office of the county auditor of the county where the material is located)).

(b) The department shall ((print)) <u>make available</u> a list of all valuable material on public lands that are to be sold. The list should be organized by county and by alphabetical order.

(i) The list should be ((published in a pamphlet form, issued))
 made available at least four weeks prior to the date of any sale and
 provide sale information to prospective buyers.

(ii) The department must retain for free distribution in ((the Olympia office and)) the region <u>headquarters</u> offices sufficient copies of the ((pamphlet)) <u>list</u>, to be kept in a conspicuous place, and((, when requested to do so, must mail copies of the pamphlet as issued to any requesting applicant)) <u>made available upon request</u>.

30 (iii) The department may seek additional means of publishing the 31 information in the ((pamphlet)) <u>list</u>, such as on the ((internet)) 32 <u>department's public website and other means of communication</u>, to 33 increase the number of prospective buyers.

34 (3) The department is authorized to expend any sum in additional35 advertising of the sales as it deems necessary.

36 Sec. 4. RCW 79.15.150 and 2003 c 334 s 351 are each amended to 37 read as follows:

A sale of valuable materials that has been offered, and for which there are no bids received, ((shall not be reoffered until it has Code Rev/ML:jlb 3 H-1257.1/21 been readvertised as prescribed in RCW 79.11.130)) may be reoffered consistent with RCW 79.15.060 and 79.15.080(2)(a).

3 Sec. 5. RCW 79.11.340 and 2003 c 334 s 399 are each amended to 4 read as follows:

5 (1) Except as provided in RCW 79.10.030(2), the department shall 6 manage and control all lands acquired by the state by escheat, deed 7 of sale, gift, devise, or under RCW 79.19.010 through 79.19.110, 8 except such lands that are conveyed or devised to the state for a 9 particular purpose.

10 (2) When the department determines to sell the lands, they shall 11 initially be offered for sale either at public auction or direct sale 12 to public agencies as provided in this chapter((-

13 (3) If the lands are not sold at public auction,)) or the 14 department may, with approval of the board, market the lands through 15 persons licensed under chapter 18.85 RCW or through other 16 commercially feasible means at a price not lower than the land's 17 appraised value.

18 (((4))) (3) Necessary marketing costs may be paid from the sale 19 proceeds. For the purpose of this subsection, necessary marketing 20 costs include reasonable costs associated with advertising the 21 property and paying commissions.

(((+5))) (4) Proceeds of the sale shall be deposited into the appropriate fund in the state treasury unless the grantor in any deed or the testator in case of a devise specifies that the proceeds of the sale be devoted to a particular purpose.

26 Sec. 6. RCW 79.11.120 and 2003 c 334 s 344 are each amended to 27 read as follows:

28 When the department decides to sell any state lands, or with the 29 consent of the board of regents of the University of Washington, or 30 by legislative directive, decides to sell any lot, block, tract, or 31 tracts of university lands, it is the duty of the department to fix 32 the date, place, and time of sale.

33 (1) No sale may be conducted on any day that is a legal holiday.

34 (2) Sales must be held between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00
35 p.m. If all sales cannot be offered within this time period, the sale
36 must continue on the following day between the hours of 10:00 a.m.
37 and 4:00 p.m.

38 (3) Sales must take place((+

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1 (a) At)) at the department's ((regional office)) region
2 <u>headquarters</u> administering the respective sale((; or

3 (b) On county property designated by the board of county 4 commissioners or county legislative authority of the county in which 5 the whole or majority of state lands are situated)) or at an 6 alternate location designated by the department."

7 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Modifies requirements related to the manner in which the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) publicizes sales of land. Modifies requirements related to the manner and location in which certain lands are sold by the DNR.

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