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**SENATE BILL 5146**

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**By** Senator Van De Wege

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1 AN ACT Relating to authorizing the fish and wildlife commission  
2 to indemnify the federal government as a condition of securing  
3 certain funds; and amending RCW 77.12.320.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 77.12.320 and 2001 c 253 s 19 are each amended to  
6 read as follows:

7 (1) The commission may make agreements with persons, political  
8 subdivisions of this state, or the United States or its agencies or  
9 instrumentalities, regarding fish, shellfish, and wildlife-oriented  
10 recreation and the propagation, protection, conservation, and control  
11 of fish, shellfish, and wildlife.

12 (2) The director may make written agreements with the owners or  
13 lessees of real or personal property to provide for the use of the  
14 property for fish, shellfish, and wildlife-oriented recreation. The  
15 director may adopt rules governing the conduct of persons in or on  
16 the real property.

17 (3) The director may accept compensation for fish, shellfish, and  
18 wildlife losses or gifts or grants of personal property for use by  
19 the department.

1       (4) The commission may indemnify the United States and its  
2 agencies as a condition of securing federal funds for purposes of  
3 fish, shellfish, and wildlife projects.

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