CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

SENATE BILL 5343

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69th Legislature
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NORTHEAST WASHINGTON WOLF-LIVESTOCK MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT—EXPENDITURE USES

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 27, 2025

Passed by the Senate April 18, 2025
Yeas 49 Nays 0

JOHN LOVICK

President of the Senate

Passed by the House April 14, 2025
Yeas 96 Nays 0

LAURIE JINKINS

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Approved May 12, 2025 3:22 PM

BOB FERGUSON

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Sarah Bannister, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SENATE BILL 5343** as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.

SARAH BANNISTER

Secretary

FILED

May 14, 2025

Secretary of State
State of Washington

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AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE

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By Senators Short, Chapman, Dozier, and Krishnadasan

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AN ACT Relating to the northeast Washington wolf-livestock management account; amending RCW 16.76.030; and providing an expiration date.

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

Sec. 1. RCW 16.76.030 and 2023 c 475 s 920 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) The northeast Washington wolf-livestock management account is created as a nonappropriated account in the custody of the state treasurer. All receipts, any legislative appropriations, private donations, or any other private or public source directed to the northeast Washington wolf-livestock management grant must be deposited into the account. Expenditures from the account may be used only for ((~~the~~)): (a) The deployment of nonlethal wolf deterrence resources as described in RCW 16.76.020; (b) wolf-livestock management; and (c) grants to the sheriffs' offices of Stevens and Ferry counties for providing a local wildlife specialist to aid the department of fish and wildlife in the management of wolves. Only the director may authorize expenditures from the account in consultation with the advisory board created in RCW 16.76.020. The account is subject to allotment procedures under chapter 43.88 RCW, but an

appropriation is not required for expenditures. Interest earned by deposits in the account must be retained in the account.

(2) The advisory board created in RCW 16.76.020 may solicit and receive gifts and grants from public and private sources for the purposes of RCW 16.76.020.

((~~(3) During the 2021-2023 and 2023-2025 fiscal biennia, expenditures from the account may be used for wolf-livestock management as well as for grants to the sheriffs' offices of Stevens and Ferry counties for providing a local wildlife specialist to aid the department of fish and wildlife in the management of wolves.~~))

NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act expires July 1, 2031.

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