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Sponsor(s): Senators Benton, Strannigan, Oke, Anderson, Swecker, Zarelli and Rossi

Brief Title: Exempting small scale mining from the requirement of obtaining a hydraulic permit.

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(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Declares that small scale prospecting and mining using a method other than the Venturi method, such as pans, sluice boxes, powered concentrators, and mini-rocker boxes, is exempt from the provisions of chapter 75.20 RCW.

Provides that small scale prospecting and mining using the Venturi method is exempt from the provisions of chapter 75.20 RCW, provided that such activity is not conducted during periods of known and active fish spawning in the specific area to be prospected or mined.