

**RCW 77.12.240 Authority to take wildlife—Disposition.** (1) The department may authorize the removal or killing of wildlife that is destroying or injuring property, or when it is necessary for wildlife management or research.

(2) The department shall dispose of wildlife taken or possessed by them under this title in the manner determined by the director to be in the best interest of the state. Proceeds from sales shall be deposited in the state treasury to be credited to the fish, wildlife, and conservation account created in RCW 77.12.170(3). [2020 c 148 s 11; 2009 c 333 s 63; 1989 c 197 s 1; 1987 c 506 s 33; 1980 c 78 s 41; 1955 c 36 s 77.12.240. Prior: 1947 c 275 s 33; Rem. Supp. 1947 s 5992-43.]

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