

Sarah Bannister
Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Secretary Bannister,

As the Governor of Washington, I respectfully request that the Senate return to the Governor's office the following two unconfirmed appointments made by the previous administration:

- GA 9199 - Lynn T O'Connor - Member, Fish and Wildlife Commission
- GA 9200 - Timothy J Ragen – Member, Fish and Wildlife Commission

In my first days of my administration, my office has received multiple letters, emails, and other correspondence from individuals, tribes, and other entities expressing a desire for a more extensive process for these appointments.

Returning these appointments will enable my office to interview and evaluate the qualifications of these and other candidates for these important Commission positions, before presentation to the Senate for confirmation. It will also allow for a process that advances the intent of RCW 77.04.040.

Sincerely,

Bob Ferguson
Governor of Washington