

FINAL BILL REPORT

HJM 4032

Brief Description: Regarding salmon and steelhead under the federal Endangered Species Act.

Sponsors: Representatives Buck, Butler, Chandler, DeBolt, Sehlin, Hatfield, McCune, Doumit, Kessler, Zellinsky and Thompson.

House Committee on Natural Resources
Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Parks

Background: The listings of salmon and steelhead under the federal Endangered Species Act are expected to have significant economic impacts on Washington. The state is expected to develop recovery plans for these listed species. Because salmon spend most of their lives outside of waters controlled by the state, federal actions are critical to ensuring the success of salmon recovery efforts in Washington.

Summary: The President and the Congress of the United States are petitioned to:

- immediately resolve the United States-Canada fishing dispute;
- enforce the 200-mile limit and the ban on high seas drift net fishing; and
- provide funding for salmon recovery efforts which mitigate the loss of habitat caused by the construction of hydroelectric dams on the Columbia River.

Votes on Final Passage:

House 96 0
Senate 45 0