

FINAL BILL REPORT

HB 1071

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Adjusting deadlines for salmon recovery grant applications.

Sponsors: Representatives Doumit, Buck, Sump, Ogden and Dunn; by request of Salmon Recovery Funding Board.

House Committee on Natural Resources

Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Parks & Shorelines

Background:

The Salmon Recovery Funding Board is required by statute to conduct two funding cycles each year for habitat projects. Lead entities must submit habitat project lists to the board by January 1 and July 1 of each year.

The two funding cycles have pulled volunteers away from working on the projects themselves in order to prepare the grant applications for the next funding round. In addition, by eliminating the requirement for two funding cycles, the Salmon Recovery Funding Board itself could be conducting other work pertinent to salmon recovery rather than reviewing an additional round of projects.

Summary:

The Salmon Recovery Funding Board is no longer required to conduct two funding cycles for habitat projects each year. The specific dates on which habitat project lists must be submitted to the board each year are deleted. Habitat project lists must be submitted to the board at least once a year on a schedule established by the board.

Project sponsors who complete approved salmon habitat projects within the grant application deadlines must be paid by the Salmon Recovery Funding Board within 30 days of project completion.

Votes on Final Passage:

House 97 0

Senate 47 0 (Senate amended)

House 83 0 (House concurred)

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