

SB 5488 - DIGEST

(SEE ALSO PROPOSED 1ST SUB)

Finds that, in 2006, after listing the southern resident orcas as endangered, the federal government designated critical orca habitat and released a proposed recovery plan for the southern resident orcas. The legislature intends for the state to participate in the finalization of the federal recovery plan and to take those actions necessary to achieve the continued survival and recovery of southern resident orcas, in cooperation with federal agencies, tribal and local governments, and nongovernmental organizations.