

1 **SB 5302** - H COMM AMD

2 By Committee on Fisheries & Wildlife

3 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
4 following:

5 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that wild stocks
6 of salmonids in the state of Washington are in a state of decline.
7 Stocks of salmon on the Columbia river are proposed for listing as
8 threatened and endangered, the Snake river sockeye has been
9 officially listed as endangered, and the American fisheries society
10 has indicated that there are two hundred fourteen other stocks of
11 salmonids in the Pacific Northwest that are in decline or possibly
12 extinct. Many of these are within Puget Sound or the coast, and
13 therefore are not within the jurisdiction of the Northwest power
14 planning council. The legislature recognizes that to lose these
15 wild stocks would be detrimental to the genetic integrity of the
16 fisheries resource and the economy, and will represent the loss of
17 a vital component of Washington's aquatic ecosystems. The
18 legislature further finds that to postpone the recovery of stocks
19 that are on the decline but that are not yet listed as threatened
20 or endangered is short-sighted, and that it will be less costly to
21 act now to save this important resource."

22 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) The departments of fisheries shall
23 establish a wild salmonid review and inventory team consisting of
24 fisheries biologists and geneticists. The purpose of the wild

1 salmonid review and inventory team shall be to review and inventory
2 the status of wild salmonid stocks outside of the Columbia river
3 basin. The department shall invite representatives of the
4 department of wildlife, the Northwest Indian fisheries commission
5 and other affected Indian tribes and the national marine fisheries
6 service to participate on the team.

7 (2) By June 30, 1993, the review and inventory team shall:

8 (a) Develop a meaningful definition of stock. The definition
9 shall be formulated to allow preservation of genetic integrity of
10 the wild salmonid resource and to avoid future federal listings
11 under the endangered species act. The team shall consider the
12 national marine fisheries service's species definition as well as
13 the American fisheries society definition of stock;

14 (b) Determine the status of all wild salmonid stocks in
15 Washington outside the Columbia river basin; and

16 (c) Outline a process for developing a recovery plan and
17 objectives for each wild salmonid stock.

18 (3) By June 30, 1993, the review and inventory team shall
19 provide stock status reports and a recovery plan process to the
20 appropriate legislative committees.

21 (4) This section shall expire January 1, 1994."

22 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** By December 31, 1992, the department
23 of fisheries shall determine the cost of marking all hatchery fish
24 at all department of fisheries operated hatchery facilities, and
25 report to the appropriate legislative committees by that date."

26 "**Sec. 4.** RCW 75.30.120 and 1983 1st ex.s. c 46 s 146 are each
27 amended to read as follows:

1 (1) A commercial salmon fishing license issued under RCW 75.28.110
2 or salmon delivery permit issued under RCW 75.28.113 may be issued
3 only to a vessel:

4 (a) Which held a state commercial salmon fishing license or
5 salmon delivery permit during the previous year or had transferred
6 to the vessel such a license, and has not subsequently transferred
7 the license or permit to another vessel; and

8 (b) From which food fish were caught and landed in this state
9 or in another state during the previous year as documented by a
10 valid fish receiving document.

11 Where the failure to obtain the license or permit during the
12 previous year was the result of a license or permit suspension, the
13 vessel may qualify for a license or permit by establishing that the
14 vessel held such a license or permit during the last year in which
15 the license or permit was not suspended.

16 (2) The director may waive the landing requirement of
17 subsection (1)(b) of this section if:

18 (a) The vessel to which an otherwise valid license is
19 transferred has not had the opportunity to have caught and landed
20 salmon; and

21 (b) The intent of the commercial salmon vessel limitation
22 program established under this section is not violated.

23 (3) The director shall exercise his or her authority under
24 subsection (2) of this section to accomplish the goals of the
25 Northwest power planning council's phase two amendment to its fish
26 and wildlife program, dated December 11, 1991, concerning a
27 temporary commercial salmon fishing license leasing program. The
28 director may adopt rules to accomplish the goals of the leasing
29 program.

1 (4) Commercial salmon fishing licenses and salmon delivery
2 permits are transferable."

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** If specific funding for the purposes
4 of this act, referencing this act by bill number, is not provided
5 by June 30, 1992, in the supplemental biennial operating
6 appropriations act, this act shall be null and void."

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9 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "fisheries;" strike "and
10 adding a new section to chapter 75.08 RCW" and insert "amending RCW
11 75.30.120; and creating new sections"