CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5166**

64th Legislature

2015 Regular Session

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| Passed by the Senate April 16, 2015Yeas 48 Nays 0**President of the Senate**Passed by the House April 8, 2015Yeas 93 Nays 4**Speaker of the House of Representatives** | CERTIFICATEI, Hunter G. Goodman, Secretary of the Senate of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5166** as passed by Senate and the House of Representatives on the dates hereon set forth.**Chief Clerk** |
| Approved  |  |
| **Governor of the State of Washington** | **Secretary of State** **State of Washington** |

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**State of Washington 64th Legislature 2015 Regular Session**

**By** Senate Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Rolfes, Ranker, and Hasegawa)

AN ACT Relating to the management of forage fish resources; creating new sections; and providing an expiration date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  (1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the department of natural resources and the department of fish and wildlife must collaborate to conduct a survey of the location of surf smelt and sand lance spawning grounds throughout Puget Sound, including the Strait of Juan de Fuca. To the extent available, the departments of natural resources and fish and wildlife must conduct the surveys using crews of the veterans conservation corps created in RCW 43.60A.150.

(2) The results from the survey required under this section must be used by the department of natural resources and the department of fish and wildlife to expand knowledge of spawning habitat areas. The survey results must be made accessible to the public.

(3) The survey required under this section must be completed by June 30, 2017.

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  (1) Subject to the availability of amounts appropriated for this specific purpose, the department of fish and wildlife must conduct a mid-water trawl survey at various depths throughout Puget Sound to evaluate the prevalence of adults of all species of forage fish. The department must integrate the results of the survey into existing Puget Sound ecosystem assessments to assist the department of fish and wildlife in the management and conservation of forage fish species and the species that prey upon them.

(2) The department of fish and wildlife must complete the survey required under this section by June 30, 2017.

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  The legislature intends for the department of natural resources and the department of fish and wildlife to complete the survey required under section 1 of this act with funds specifically appropriated from the state's capital budget for the 2015-2017 biennium.

NEW SECTION. **Sec.**  This act expires July 1, 2018.

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