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**SENATE BILL 5968**

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**State of Washington**

**67th Legislature**

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**By** Senator Fortunato

1 AN ACT Relating to requiring the department of fish and wildlife  
2 to track the effect of certain specified activities on salmon  
3 populations; and adding a new section to chapter 77.04 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 77.04  
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 (1) On an annual basis, the department shall track and count the  
8 number of salmon in Washington taken each year by the following:

9 (a) The operation of dams on the Snake river; and

10 (b) Animal predators, such as birds and pinnipeds.

11 (2) Beginning in 2023, the department shall submit an annual  
12 report to the appropriate committees of the legislature documenting  
13 the information collected pursuant to subsection (1) of this section.

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