

FINAL BILL REPORT

ESB 5355

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Modifying provisions for salmon and steelhead recovery in the lower Columbia region.

Sponsors: Senators Doumit, Zarelli and Jacobsen.

Senate Committee on Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation

House Committee on Natural Resources, Ecology & Parks

Background: The lower Columbia River area has a salmon and steelhead planning group authorized by the 1998 legislature. The regional group has developed a plan which has been submitted to the federal agencies and has been reviewed by both the Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Governor's Salmon Recovery Office.

Summary: The statute authorizing the lower Columbia recovery group is expanded to cover salmon. The group is authorized to oversee the implementation of the salmon and steelhead habitat recovery effort. The membership of the group is clarified and the termination date of July 1, 2006 is changed to July 1, 2010.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	46	0	
House	96	0	(House amended)
Senate	32	0	(Senate concurred)

Effective: July 24, 2005