

Senate Bill 869

Sponsored by Senators BATES, MORSE

SUMMARY

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Directs State Fish and Wildlife Commission to designate up to 10 rivers as Class I or Class II waters in order to preserve unique angling opportunities. Authorizes commission to establish classified waters advisory committee. Authorizes commission to issue certain licenses and charge corresponding fees.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to angling; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 497.121.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Sections 2 and 3 of this 2009 Act are added to and made a part of ORS**
5 **chapter 496.**

6 **SECTION 2. The State Fish and Wildlife Commission shall designate up to 10 rivers as**
7 **Class I or Class II waters in order to preserve the unique angling opportunities available in**
8 **the rivers. The commission shall designate as Class I waters those rivers that provide highly**
9 **productive venues for angling and shall designate as Class II waters those rivers that provide**
10 **productive venues for angling. The commission shall designate at least the following as Class**
11 **I or Class II waters:**

12 (1) **The Deschutes River from Pelton Dam to the Columbia River;**

13 (2) **The Rogue River from Lost Creek Dam to the Pacific Ocean;**

14 (3) **The North Umpqua River from Soda Springs Dam to the South Umpqua River;**

15 (4) **The Grand Ronde River from Minam to the border of Oregon and Washington;**

16 (5) **The Nehalem River from Highway 26 to the Highway 101 bridge; and**

17 (6) **The John Day River from the North Fork John Day River confluence to the Columbia**
18 **River.**

19 **SECTION 3. The State Fish and Wildlife Commission may establish a classified waters**
20 **advisory committee that includes members of affected communities, private businesses and**
21 **other interest groups in order to advise the commission on the nomination and designation**
22 **of Class I and Class II waters.**

23 **SECTION 4. ORS 497.121 is amended to read:**

24 497.121. (1) The State Fish and Wildlife Commission is authorized to issue, upon application, to
25 persons desiring to angle for fish or take shellfish the following licenses and tags and shall charge
26 therefor the following fees:

27 (a) Resident annual angling license, \$21.

28 (b) Nonresident annual angling license, \$54.75.

29 (c) Nonresident angling license to angle for seven consecutive days, \$39.50.

30 (d) Angling license to angle for one day, \$9.25.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

- 1 (e) Resident annual juvenile angling license for persons 14 through 17 years of age, \$4.
 2 (f) **Resident annual Class I waters angling license, free.**
 3 (g) **Nonresident Class I waters angling license to angle for up to eight consecutive days,**
 4 **\$40 per day.**
 5 (h) **Nonresident alien Class I waters angling license to angle for up to eight consecutive**
 6 **days, \$50 per day.**
 7 (i) **Resident annual Class II waters angling license, free.**
 8 (j) **Nonresident Class II waters angling license to angle for up to eight consecutive days,**
 9 **\$20 per day.**
 10 (k) **Nonresident alien Class II waters angling license to angle for up to eight consecutive**
 11 **days, \$30 per day.**
 12 [(f)] (L) Resident annual shellfish license, \$5.
 13 [(g)] (m) Nonresident annual shellfish license, \$15.
 14 [(h)] (n) Nonresident three-day shellfish license, \$7.50.
 15 [(i)] (o) Resident pioneer angling license for persons 65 years of age or older who have resided
 16 in the state for not less than 50 years prior to the date of application, free.
 17 [(j)] (p) Resident annual senior citizen angling license for persons 70 years of age or older who
 18 have resided in the state for not less than five years prior to the date of application, one-half the
 19 fee imposed under paragraph (a) of this subsection for a resident annual angling license.
 20 [(k)] (q) Resident disabled war veteran angling license for a person who files with the commis-
 21 sion written proof that the last official certification of record by the United States Department of
 22 Veterans Affairs or by any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States shows the person to
 23 be at least 25 percent disabled, free.
 24 [(L)] (r) Annual tag to angle for salmon, steelhead trout, sturgeon and halibut, \$20.
 25 [(m)] (s) Annual tag for persons under 18 years of age to angle for salmon, steelhead trout,
 26 sturgeon and halibut, \$5.
 27 [(n)] (t) Renewable tag to angle for hatchery salmon and steelhead, \$10.50.
 28 (2) Any person who holds a valid permanent angling license for persons who are blind or a
 29 permanent angling license for persons in a wheelchair issued by the commission before January 1,
 30 2000, need not obtain a resident annual angling license under this section.
 31 (3) The annual tags to angle for salmon, steelhead trout, sturgeon and halibut referred to in
 32 subsection [(1)(L), (m) and (n)] (1)(r), (s) and (t) of this section are in addition to and not in lieu
 33 of the angling licenses required by the wildlife laws. However, an annual tag to angle for salmon,
 34 steelhead trout, sturgeon and halibut is not required of a person who holds a valid angling license
 35 referred to in subsection (1)(c) or (d) of this section.
 36 (4) **Any person who holds any of the licenses referred to in subsection (1)(f) to (k) of this**
 37 **section must also obtain the appropriate annual angling license referred to in subsection**
 38 **(1)(a) and (b) of this section and the appropriate annual tags to angle for salmon, steelhead**
 39 **or trout referred to in subsection (1)(r), (s) and (t) of this subsection.**
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