Executive Appointments Legislative Review Compiled by Oregon Legislative Committee Services

OFFICE: Fish & Wildlife Commission, State

APPOINTEE: Holly Akenson of Joseph; Reappointment

Jason Atkinson of Jacksonville; New Appointment replacing Levy

Bruce Buckmaster of Astoria; New appointment replacing Wolniakowski

Michael Finley of Medford; Reappointment

APPOINTMENT/CONFIRMATION AUTHORITY: ORS 496.090

TERM: Akenson and Finley: Four-year term: July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2019

Atkinson: Unfinished four-year term: May 22, 2015 – May 31, 2016

Buckmaster: Four-year term: June 1, 2015 – May 31, 2019

ECONOMIC INTEREST FILING (ORS 244.050): Required.

STATUTORY QUALIFICATIONS: ORS 496.090

Affirmative action policy: See ORS 182.100. Diversity criteria: See ORS 236.115.

- Seven members serve at the pleasure of the Governor, state residents, eligible for reappointment.
- One member of the commission from each congressional district,
 - First District **BUCKMASTER**
 - Second District ATKINSON
 - o Third District WOLLEY
 - o Fourth District WEBBER
 - Fifth District ANDERSON
- One member from that portion of the state lying west of the Cascade Mountains (**FINLEY**)
- One member from that portion of the state lying east of the Cascade Mountains (**AKENSON**)
- Have a general knowledge of fish and wildlife issues and an understanding of the operation and functions of public policy boards and commissions.
- In making appointments to the commission, the Governor is to consider appointing members who possess natural resource backgrounds such as commercial fishing, recreational fishing, hunting, agriculture, forestry and conservation.

<u>DUTIES AND AUTHORITY</u>: ORS 496.090, 496.112, 496.146, 496.138, 496.128, 496.162, 496.440, 496.615, 496.705, 497.022, 497.415, 497.435

- Provide for the productive and sustainable utilization of wildlife resources for all users.
- Represent the public interest of the state
- Make decisions affecting the wildlife resources of the state for the benefit of those resources.
- Appoint State Fish and Wildlife Director
- Make biennial report to Governor and Legislative Assembly
- Formulate and implement policies and programs for the management of wildlife
- Adopt rules and standards
- Hold at least one meeting per year in each of the congressional districts in Oregon
- Acquire, introduce, propagate and stock wildlife species
- Establish licenses, tags and permits for angling, hunting and trapping and prescribe tagging and sealing procedures

- May establish special hunting and angling areas or seasons for old or young people
- Establish preference system for individuals who are unsuccessful in controlled hunt permit drawings for deer and elk hunting have reasonable assurance of success in those drawings in subsequent years
- Acquire by purchase, lease, agreement, gift or exercise of eminent domain for wildlife management and recreation purposes
- Sell and exchange state property
- Establish and develop wildlife refuge and management areas
- Set fees for licenses, tags, permits and applications
- Enter into contracts to develop and encourage wildlife research and management
- Establish cooperative wildlife management programs with federal government.
- Offer rewards for the arrest and conviction of people who violate wildlife laws
- Establish hunting seasons and areas
- Conduct salmon and trout enhancement programs
- Employ wildlife enforcement officers with the approval of the Governor and Superintendent of State Police
- Institute suits for recovery of damages for the unlawful taking or killing of wildlife
- Appoint agents for issuance of licenses, tags or permits
- Revoke licenses, tags and permits
- Adopt rules establishing schedule of civil penalties for violations of wildlife laws or rules adopted by the Commission.

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Executive Appointments Board Roster

Fish and Wildlife Commission, State

Agency: Fish & Wildlife

Authorization: ORS 496.090

Members: Min: 7 Max: 7
Term Length: 4 years Limit: 2
Senate confirmation required? Yes

Policy Area: Natural Resources

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Current Appointments:

Member Name and Address (Alphabetical)

Holly A Akenson

East of the Cascades

Term(s): 07-01-2015 - 06-30-2019

07-01-2011 - 06-30-2015

Laura M Anderson

Cong. District 5

Term(s): 06-01-2012 - 05-31-2016

Position Number: 5

Position Number: 6

Jason A Atkinson

CD 2 Term(s):

05-22-2015 - 05-31-2016

Position Number: 7

Bruce B Buckmaster

CD 2 Term(s):

06-01-2015 - 05-31-2019

Position Number: 2

Michael V Finley, Chair

West of the Cascades

Term(s): 07-01-2015 - 06-30-2019

07-01-2011 - 06-30-2015

Position Number: 3

Robert F Webber

Cong. District 4

Term(s): 03-01-2014 - 02-28-2018

03-01-2010 - 02-28-2014

Position Number: 4

Gregory J Wolley

CD 3

Term(s): 06-01-2012 - 05-31-2016

Position Number: 1

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