House Bill 2053

Sponsored by Representative KRIEGER (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Directs State Department of Fish and Wildlife to establish trophy trout lake pilot program. Funds program with \$1 surcharge on angling licenses. Requires department to conduct study and surveys related to program and report to interim committees related to environment and natural resources no later than September 15, 2017. Sunsets December 31, 2018.

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Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to trophy trout lake pilot program; and declaring an emergency. $\mathbf{2}$

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

SECTION 1. (1) The State Department of Fish and Wildlife shall develop and implement 4

5 a pilot program for establishing up to four trophy trout lakes in this state. The program

must include a plan to stock lakes selected for inclusion in the program with a large number 6

7 of two- to eight-pound trout. The department shall conduct public outreach relating to the 8 program.

(2) The department shall study fishing-related economic activities and angling license 9 sales in the areas near the trophy lakes before, during and after the program. The depart-10 ment shall conduct angler satisfaction surveys related to the trophy trout lake pilot program 11 12 as part of the study. The department shall present the results of the study in a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment and natural re-13 sources no later than September 15, 2017. 14

15SECTION 2. (1) In addition to the fees otherwise prescribed by law, the issuer of each of the following licenses shall charge and collect each time the license is issued during the 16

period beginning January 1, 2016, and ending December 31, 2018, a surcharge of \$1: 17

(a) Resident combination license issued under ORS 497.132. 18

(b) Resident annual angling license issued under ORS 497.121 (1)(a). 19

(c) Resident annual juvenile angling license issued under ORS 497.121 (1)(e). 20

(d) Angling license to angle for one day issued under ORS 497.121 (1)(d). 21

22 (e) Nonresident annual angling license issued under ORS 497.121 (1)(b).

25(g) Nonresident annual juvenile angling license issued under ORS 497.121 (f).

26 (2) Surcharges collected under this section shall be credited to the State Wildlife Fund

27to be used only to fund the trophy trout lake pilot program established under section 1 of this 2015 Act. 28

29 SECTION 3. (1) Sections 1 and 2 of this 2015 Act become operative on January 1, 2016.

²³ (f) Nonresident angling license to angle for seven consecutive days issued under ORS 24 497.121 (1)(c).

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1(2) The State Department of Fish and Wildlife may take any action before the operative2date specified in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary for the department to exer-3cise, on and after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the du-4ties, functions and powers conferred on the department by sections 1 and 2 of this 2015 Act.5SECTION 4. (1) Sections 1 and 2 of this 2015 Act are repealed on December 31, 2018.6(2) All moneys collected under section 2 of this 2015 Act that are unexpended and unob-7ligated on the date of the repeal of section 2 of this 2015 Act shall be transferred to the Fish

8 Endowment Subaccount established in the Fish and Wildlife Account.

<u>SECTION 5.</u> This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect
on its passage.

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