

# House Bill 3333

Sponsored by Representative GOMBERG, Senator ROBLAN; Representatives BOONE, KRIEGER, Senators JOHNSON, KRUSE, WHITSETT (at the request of Lincoln County Commissioner Terry Thompson)

## 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**.

Requires that portion of surcharge moneys from salmon registration plate program directed to fund controlled by Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board be used only for projects to protect or restore native salmon habitat or to remove artificial obstructions to native salmon migration.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to the use of moneys from salmon registration plate surcharges; creating new provisions;  
3 and amending ORS 805.256.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 805.256 is amended to read:

6 805.256. (1) After deduction of the cost of administration of the salmon registration plate pro-  
7 gram, moneys from the surcharge imposed by ORS 805.255 shall be transferred and appropriated as  
8 follows:

9 *[(a) Half of the moneys shall be transferred to the Watershed Conservation Operating Fund for*  
10 *activities under ORS 541.945 related to the restoration and protection of watersheds, native fish and*  
11 *wildlife and water quality; and]*

12 **(a) Half of the moneys shall be transferred to the Watershed Conservation Grant Fund**  
13 **and used only for funding projects under ORS 541.956 to:**

14 **(A) Protect or restore native salmon habitat; or**

15 **(B) Restore natural watershed or ecosystem functions by removing artificial obstructions**  
16 **to native salmon migration.**

17 (b) Half of the moneys shall be transferred to the State Parks and Recreation Department Fund  
18 established under ORS 390.134 and continuously appropriated for the purposes described in ORS  
19 390.134 (4).

20 (2) As used in this section, "the cost of administration of the salmon registration plate  
21 program" is the sum of all Department of Transportation expenses for the issuance or transfer of  
22 salmon registration plates under ORS 805.255 that are above the normal costs of issuing, renewing  
23 and transferring registration plates in the normal course of the business of the department. These  
24 expenses include, but are not limited to, the costs of collecting the salmon registration plate sur-  
25 charge and transferring salmon registration plates.

26 **SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 805.256 by section 1 of this 2015 Act apply to mon-**  
27 **neys from salmon registration plate fees paid on or after the effective date of this 2015 Act.**  
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