

**A-Engrossed**  
**Senate Bill 958**

Ordered by the House June 3  
Including House Amendments dated June 3

Sponsored by Senator PROZANSKI, Representative HAYDEN, Senator BEYER, Representative LIVELY (at the request of Blackberry Jam Festival)

**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.

Creates free license for organizers of certain fishing derbies to take and sell fish taken during duration of derby.

*[Provides that, when organizer holds fishing derby license for derby,]* **Authorizes State Fish and Wildlife Commission to adopt rules. Authorizes commission to provide by rule that organizers and participants in derby are not required to hold certain commercial fishing licenses under certain circumstances.**

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

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2 Relating to fishing; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) An organizer of a fishing derby may apply for and obtain from the State**  
5 **Fish and Wildlife Commission a fishing derby license to take northern pikeminnow and to**  
6 **sell, for charitable fund-raising purposes, northern pikeminnow taken during the duration**  
7 **of the derby. A fee may not be charged for the license.**

8 **(2) Upon receipt of an application for a fishing derby license, the commission shall review**  
9 **the application and issue a fishing derby license if the commission determines that the fish-**  
10 **ing derby will comply with the rules of the commission related to the protection of native**  
11 **fish species, including northern pikeminnow, and will be conducted in a manner that mini-**  
12 **mizes impacts on sensitive populations or habitats, except that the commission may issue**  
13 **no more than two fishing derby licenses per year for a given body of water.**

14 **(3) A fishing derby for which a fishing derby license has been obtained under this section**  
15 **may have a duration of no longer than three days.**

16 **(4) An organizer of a fishing derby is required to obtain a separate fishing derby license**  
17 **for each fishing derby.**

18 **(5) The commission may adopt rules necessary to implement the provisions of this sec-**  
19 **tion. Notwithstanding ORS 508.025, 508.030, 508.035, 508.235, 508.260, 508.505 and 508.535, rules**  
20 **adopted by the commission may provide that separate licenses under the commercial fishing**  
21 **laws are not required for an organizer or a person to participate in a fishing derby for which**  
22 **the organizer holds a fishing derby license issued under this section.**

23 **(6) This section is not intended to and may not be interpreted to exempt an organizer**  
24 **or a person participating in a fishing derby from any applicable licensing requirements under**  
25 **the wildlife laws.**

**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        **SECTION 2. This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
2        **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect**  
3        **on its passage.**

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