

Enrolled
Senate Bill 958

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

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to fishing; and declaring an emergency.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

SECTION 2. 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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Lori L. Brocker, Secretary of Senate

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Peter Courtney, President of Senate

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