HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 3234

By COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

April 24

Delete lines 4 through 13 of the printed bill and insert:

"SECTION 1. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for distribution to Oregon State University, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$570,000, to be expended for the Molluscan Broodstock Program at the Hatfield Marine Science Center in conjunction with the Whiskey Creek Shellfish Hatchery.

"SECTION 2. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$25,000, for the purpose of convening a summit with coastal regional partners for the sharing and synthesis of existing information about eelgrass and shellfish ecology.

"SECTION 3. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$30,000, to be expended for the purpose of developing an educational process to assess and address the displacement of recreational clam harvesters from oyster plantations and claims and plats of lands for the cultivation of oysters, clams or mussels.

"SECTION 4. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for distribution to Oregon State University, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$280,000, which may be expended for monitoring the effects of ocean acidification and conducting ocean acidification research at the Whiskey Creek Shellfish Hatchery.

"SECTION 5. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the State Department of Agriculture, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$30,000, which may be expended on activities related to assessing:

- "(1) The economic effects of ocean acidification on the commercial cultivation of oysters in Oregon; and
- "(2) The benefits of research and outreach activities to assist the commercial oyster cultivation industry in addressing the economic effects of ocean acidification.

"SECTION 6. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$80,000, to be expended for conducting a preference survey of recreational shellfish harvesters for the purposes of:

"(1) Determining the needs, values, demographics and behavior of recreational

harvesters;

- "(2) Evaluating the economic impacts of recreational shellfish harvesting; and
- "(3) Identifying alternatives for improving management policies for recreational shellfish resources.

"SECTION 7. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$150,000, to conduct outreach and education related to recreational shellfish harvesting.

"SECTION 8. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Department of State Police, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$150,000, for:

- "(1) Enforcement activities related to shellfish under the wildlife laws and rules adopted under the wildlife laws, the commercial fishing laws and rules adopted under the commercial fishing laws and ORS 622.010 to 622.180; and
- "(2) Collaborating with federally recognized Oregon Indian tribes to identify opportunities for cross-jurisdictional coordination and enforcement of laws related to shellfish.

"SECTION 9. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$120,000, to coordinate with the Department of Transportation, the State Parks and Recreation Department and port districts to conduct maintenance and infrastructure improvements that will serve to increase opportunities for recreational shellfish harvesting.

"SECTION 10. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$50,000, to work with public elementary and secondary schools and port districts to develop outreach and educational signs that inform the public about shellfish, to be posted at key public beach access sites for five bays in this state.

"SECTION 11. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$180,000, to conduct shellfish stock assessments and to contract with commercial scuba divers, as necessary, to assist in conducting shellfish stock assessments and subtidal surveys.

"SECTION 12. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$300,000, to be used for collaborating with members of the academic community on bay clam population connectivity and recruitment research, for the purpose of improving the department's regulations for the harvest of bay clams in this state.

"SECTION 13. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$180,000, to conduct creel surveys and fishery-dependent monitoring of recreational and commercial harvesting of bay clams and razor clams in Tillamook Bay, the central coast area from Cascade Head to Florence and the south coast area from Winchester Bay to the California border.

"SECTION 14. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appro-

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priated to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$160,000, to monitor and analyze recreational and commercial fisheries statistics on clam harvesting for the purpose of making timely adjustments to harvest regulations.

"SECTION 15. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$60,000, to conduct a review and analysis of permits issued by state agencies and local governments that affect intertidal and subtidal habitats in bays and estuaries in this state for the purpose of improving the ability to incorporate new information and historical data in future permit reviews and in complex resource decisions affecting bays and estuaries.

"SECTION 16. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$50,000, to be expended for efforts, in collaboration with federally recognized Oregon Indian tribes and nongovernmental entities, to protect and conserve the three known populations of Olympia oysters in bays and estuaries in this state.

"SECTION 17. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$600,000, to be expended for collaborating with the State Department of Agriculture, representatives of the shellfish industry and members of the academic community to conduct collaborative work to restore viable populations of Olympia oysters, native littleneck clams, red abalone, flat abalone and pinto abalone in this state and to protect the restoration and enhancement sites for the species for a sufficient period to allow for the species' populations to recover.

"SECTION 18. This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect July 1, 2017."

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