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To: Natural Resources Subcommittee

**From:** John Terpening, Legislative Fiscal Office

**Date:** May 18, 2019

**Subject:** SB 42 – Relating to fish resource programs

Senate Bill 42 eliminates the sunset for funding dedicated to the Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) fish restoration and enhancement program. Without passage of this measure, current law would sunset the ability of the Department to collect revenue for this program December 31, 2019.

The Restoration and Enhancement Program was established in 1989 to increase recreational fishing opportunities and improve commercial salmon fisheries by restoring state-owned fish hatcheries, enhancing natural fish production, expanding hatchery production and providing additional public access to fishing waters. The funding for the program comes from a portion of angling licenses.

The Department's budget bill (SB 5510) assumes passage of this measure and no adjustments to the agency's budget is required unless this legislation is not approved.

## **Final Subcommittee Action**

MOTION: I move SB 42 to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation. (VOTE)

<u>Carriers</u>	
Full Committee:	
House Floor:	
Senate Floor:	