

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

SB 42

Relating to fish resource programs

SB 42 eliminates the sunset for funding that is dedicated to the Department of Fish and Wildlife's fish restoration and enhancement program.

The Restoration and Enhancement Program is funded through a portion of angling licenses sold. Without passage of this measure, current law would sunset the ability of the Department to collect revenue for this program in December 2019. The Department's budget bill, SB 5510, assumes passage of this measure and no adjustments to the agency's budget are required unless this legislation is not approved.

The Natural Resources Subcommittee recommends SB 42 be reported out do pass.