## A-Engrossed Senate Bill 1543

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## **SUMMARY**

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Authorizes issuance of group [sportspac license to qualifying facility or program] license for angling or shellfish to nonprofit organization serving veterans or certain armed forces members.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to State Department of Fish and Wildlife licenses; amending ORS 497.162; and declaring an emergency.

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

**SECTION 1.** ORS 497.162 is amended to read:

497.162. (1) Upon application of the Oregon Youth Authority, the Oregon Health Authority or the Department of Human Services, the State Fish and Wildlife Commission shall issue, without fee, a license to angle for the temporary use of any person in a state institution as described in ORS 179.610, any student in a youth correction facility or related camps or programs operated by the Oregon Youth Authority, any child placed by the department and under the care of a foster home or a child-caring agency licensed, certified or otherwise authorized by the department under ORS 418.205 to 418.327, any person in an alternative to state hospitalization program as described in ORS 430.630 (2)(b) or (c), or any person receiving services under ORS 430.664. The licenses issued under this subsection shall be in bearer form and, subject to applicable laws and regulations relating to angling, shall be used as the agency applying for the license directs.

(2) Upon application of the Department of Human Services, the commission shall issue, without fee, a license to take shellfish for the temporary use of any child placed by the department and under the care of a foster home or a child-caring agency licensed, certified or otherwise authorized by the department under ORS 418.205 to 418.327. The licenses issued under this subsection shall be in bearer form and, subject to applicable laws and regulations relating to taking shellfish, shall be used as the department directs.

[(3) Upon application of the director of any veteran's administration hospital or domiciliary within this state, the commission shall issue, without fee, to each hospital or domiciliary 30 licenses to angle or to take shellfish for the temporary use of any person who is a patient or resident in the hospital or domiciliary. The licenses issued under this subsection shall be in bearer form and, subject to applicable laws and regulations relating to angling and to taking shellfish, shall be used as the director of the

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1 hospital or domiciliary provides.]

- (3)(a) As used in this subsection, "armed forces members" means active duty members of the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps or Navy.
- (b) Upon application of the director of a veteran's administration hospital or domiciliary within this state, or by the director of a nonprofit organization in this state that serves armed forces members whose duty station is a warrior transition unit or serves veterans, the commission shall issue, without fee, to the hospital, domiciliary or organization a group license for use by patients or other recipients of hospital, domiciliary or organization services to angle or take shellfish during hospital, domiciliary or organization excursions. A group license issued under this subsection shall be in bearer form and, subject to applicable laws and regulations relating to angling or taking shellfish, shall be used as the director of the hospital, domiciliary or organization directs. Patients or other recipients of hospital, domiciliary or organization services who participate in angling or the taking of shellfish under a group license issued under this subsection are not required to have any individual license, permit, tag, endorsement or other authorization for that angling or taking.
- (c) The group license must be in the possession of a hospital, domiciliary or organization staff member accompanying the participants angling or taking shellfish under the group license. A group license issued to a hospital, domiciliary or nonprofit organization under this subsection shall have a term of one year. A patient or other recipient of hospital, domiciliary or organization services may not participate in more than three group license excursions in a year.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> This 2020 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2020 Act takes effect on its passage.