A-Engrossed House Bill 2835

Ordered by the House March 30 Including House Amendments dated March 30

Sponsored by Representatives EVANS, OWENS (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Directs State Department of Fish and Wildlife to [establish pilot program to] award grants for recreational fishing facilities within urban growth boundary.

[Directs department to submit report to interim committees of Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2026.]

Sunsets January 2, [2027] 2026.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to fishing; and prescribing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The State Department of Fish and Wildlife, in consultation with the Oregon Conservation and Recreation Advisory Committee, shall award grants for the establishment or improvement of public facilities for recreational fishing located inside an urban growth boundary. Projects for which grants are awarded must serve to protect, maintain or enhance fish and wildlife resources in Oregon, as described in ORS 496.252 (2).

- (2) Grants awarded under this section shall be paid out of the Oregon Conservation and Recreation Fund established under ORS 496.252.
- (3) In carrying out this section, the department shall consider opportunities to coordinate with the Restoration and Enhancement Board established under ORS 496.286 to enhance fishing access.

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, 2023, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$200,000, for deposit in the Oregon Conservation and Recreation Fund established under ORS 496.252 for the purpose of awarding grants under section 1 of this 2023 Act.

SECTION 3. Section 1 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2, 2026.

<u>SECTION 4.</u> This 2023 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2023 regular session of the Eighty-second Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.

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