

House Bill 2773

Sponsored by Representative EVANS (Pre-session 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 **as introduced**. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The Act tells an agency to create a program for fishing in certain areas. The Act ends the program on January 2, 2028. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.7).

Directs the State Department of Fish and Wildlife to establish a program to award grants for recreational fishing facilities within an urban growth boundary.

Sunset the program on January 2, 2028.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to fishing; and prescribing an effective date.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The State Department of Fish and Wildlife, in consultation with the**
5 **Oregon Conservation and Recreation Advisory Committee, shall establish a program to**
6 **award grants for building or improving public facilities for recreational fishing located inside**
7 **an urban growth boundary.**

8 (2) Projects for which grants are awarded must serve to protect, maintain or enhance
9 fish and wildlife resources in Oregon, as described in ORS 496.252 (2).

10 (3) Grants awarded under this section shall be paid out of the Oregon Conservation and
11 Recreation Fund established under ORS 496.252.

12 (4) In carrying out this section, the department shall consider opportunities to coordinate
13 with the Restoration and Enhancement Board established under ORS 496.286 to enhance
14 fishing access.

15 **SECTION 2. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-**
16 **ated to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025,**
17 **out of the General Fund, the amount of \$200,000, for deposit in the Oregon Conservation and**
18 **Recreation Fund established under ORS 496.252 for the purpose of awarding grants under**
19 **section 1 of this 2025 Act.**

20 **SECTION 3. Section 1 of this 2025 Act is repealed on January 2, 2028.**

21 **SECTION 4. This 2025 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2025**
22 **regular session of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.