

House Bill 2835

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**.

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.

Sunset January 2, 2027.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to fishing.

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 pilot program to**
6 **provide a limited number of grants to cities, counties or nonprofit organizations for projects**
7 **to establish or improve public facilities for recreational fishing inside an urban growth**
8 **boundary.**

9 **(2) Grants awarded under the pilot program shall be paid out of the Oregon Conservation**
10 **and Recreation Fund.**

11 **(3)(a) Grants awarded under the pilot program may include matching funds for large do-**
12 **nations to the Oregon Conservation and Recreation Fund that are restricted to a pilot pro-**
13 **gram project.**

14 **(b) Notwithstanding any restrictions placed on the use of funds from the Oregon Con-**
15 **servation and Recreation Fund by the Legislative Assembly:**

16 **(A) Matching funds under the pilot program may be paid out of moneys appropriated to**
17 **the Oregon Conservation and Recreation Fund by the Legislative Assembly.**

18 **(B) The amount of funds matched to a large restricted donation under the pilot program**
19 **may exceed the amount of matching funds committed to other projects funded by the Oregon**
20 **Conservation and Recreation Fund.**

21 **(4) The State Fish and Wildlife Commission may adopt rules to carry out this section.**

22 **SECTION 2. The State Department of Fish and Wildlife shall submit a report in the**
23 **manner provided in ORS 192.245 on the implementation of the pilot program established un-**
24 **der section 1 of this 2023 Act, including recommendations for legislation, to the interim**
25 **committees of the Legislative Assembly related to natural resources on or before September**
26 **15, 2026.**

27 **SECTION 3. Sections 2 and 3 of this 2023 Act are repealed on January 2, 2027.**
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