

Requested by SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES AND WILDFIRE

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE BILL 1509**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 9 through 24.

2 On page 2, delete lines 1 through 41 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 3. (1) The State Department of Fish and Wildlife shall**
4 **convene a work group of relevant stakeholders to provide recommen-**
5 **dations on a voluntary Columbia River gillnet vessel permit buyback**
6 **program.**

7 **“(2) The work group shall consist of at least six members selected**
8 **by the State Fish and Wildlife Director, including but not limited to:**

9 **“(a) Two members representing Columbia River gillnet vessel per-**
10 **mit holders;**

11 **“(b) One member representing Oregon seafood processors;**

12 **“(c) One member representing Columbia River recreational fishing**
13 **businesses;**

14 **“(d) One member representing a nonprofit organization comprised**
15 **of Columbia River recreational anglers; and**

16 **“(e) One member representing a nonprofit organization focused on**
17 **the conservation of Columbia River salmonid populations.**

18 **“(3) The work group shall:**

19 **“(a) Consider how a voluntary Columbia River gillnet vessel permit**
20 **buyback program in Oregon can best complement the Columbia River**
21 **gillnet fishing license reduction program implemented by the**

1 **Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife; and**

2 **“(b) Make recommendations on:**

3 **“(A) The specifics of a voluntary Columbia River gillnet vessel per-**
4 **mit buyback program; and**

5 **“(B) Any changes to laws, rules or funding levels that would be**
6 **needed in order to implement the program.**

7 **“(4) All recommendations described in subsection (3) of this section**
8 **must be consistent with tribal treaty fishing rights and all fishery**
9 **management agreements between Indian tribes and this state.**

10 **“(5) The department shall report on the recommendations described**
11 **in subsection (3) of this section, and may include recommendations for**
12 **legislation, to the committees or interim committees of the Legislative**
13 **Assembly related to natural resources, in the manner provided under**
14 **ORS 192.245, no later than November 15, 2024.**

15 **“SECTION 4. Section 3 of this 2024 Act is repealed on January 2,**
16 **2026.”.**

17 In line 42, delete “6” and insert “5”.

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