SB 222-1 (LC 1382) 2/18/25 (AG/ps)

Requested by Senator SMITH DB

## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 222

In line 2 of the printed bill, after "salmon" insert "; and declaring an emergency".

3 Delete lines 4 through 29 and insert:

4 "SECTION 1. (1) The Legislative Assembly finds and declares that 5 smallmouth bass prey on juvenile salmon.

6 "(2) The State Department of Fish and Wildlife shall:

"(a) Establish a program to monitor the introduction of smallmouth
bass to rivers other than the Columbia River that drain into the
Pacific Ocean.

"(b) Support programs to eradicate smallmouth bass that are within
 rivers other than the Columbia River that drain into the Pacific
 Ocean.

"SECTION 2. There is appropriated to the State Department of Fish
 and Wildlife, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, out of the Gen eral Fund, the amount of \$1,000,000, for the purpose of carrying out the
 provisions of section 1 of this 2025 Act.

"<u>SECTION 3.</u> This 2025 Act being necessary for the immediate
 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is
 declared to exist, and this 2025 Act takes effect on its passage.".

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