

# FINAL BILL REPORT

## SB 5253

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Synopsis as Enacted

**Brief Description:** Allowing nonresidents under the age of fifteen to obtain a free fishing license.

**Sponsors:** Senators Strannigan, Oke, Hargrove, Roach, Morton, Swecker, Horn and Winsley.

**Senate Committee on Natural Resources & Parks**

**House Committee on Natural Resources**

**Background:** Current law requires nonresident youths under 15 years of age to pay \$20 for a fishing license for game fish. Resident youths under 15 years of age are not required to have a fishing license.

**Summary:** A fishing license is not required for resident or nonresident juveniles under 15 years of age. Nonresident juveniles under 15 years of age must be accompanied by an adult, with a valid Washington fishing license, to qualify for exemption from the \$20 nonresident fishing license fee.

**Votes on Final Passage:**

Senate	47	0	
House	97	0	(House amended)
Senate			(Senate refused to concur)
House			(House refused to recede)
Senate			(Senate refused to concur)
House	93	1	(House amended)
Senate	43	0	(Senate concurred)

**Effective:** July 27, 1997