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Brief Title: Recovering salmon.

HB 2504 - DIGEST

(SEE ALSO PROPOSED 1ST SUB)

Directs the governor, after consulting with the directors of the state natural resources related agencies, the Washington members of the northwest power planning council, legislators, representatives of local and tribal governments, and representatives of affected interest groups, to recommend proposed legislation to the 1999 legislature that creates a structure that will help restore salmon to healthy, sustainable populations with productive commercial and recreational fisheries.

Creates the office of the state salmon ombudsman within the office of the governor for the purpose of having a coordinated state strategy to allow for salmon recovery to healthy sustainable population levels with productive commercial and recreational fisheries.