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Sponsor(s): Senators Honeyford and Morton

Brief Description: Ensuring habitat benefits of land acquisitions.

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Requires that, for any acquisition of property for the purpose of habitat enhancement or preservation, the fish and wildlife commission must make publicly available the following information: (1) The purpose of site acquisition, including a list of species targeted to benefit from the acquisition;

(2) A site habitat assessment that includes existing habitat types and species presence;

(3) An evaluation of the habitat value of the site in relation to other habitat within the watershed;

(4) The anticipated benefits to target species of site habitat preservation or enhancement; and

(5) The proposed public use of the property after acquisition.

Requires the salmon recovery funding board to evaluate the following information for any proposed project that includes land acquisition: (1) The purpose of site acquisition, including a list of salmon species targeted to benefit from the acquisition;

(2) A site habitat assessment that includes existing habitat types and salmon presence;

(3) An evaluation of the habitat value of the site in relation to other habitat within the watershed;

(4) The anticipated benefits to target species of site habitat preservation or enhancement; and

(5) The proposed public use of the property after acquisition.