

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 6866

As of January 30, 2006

Title: An act relating to redirecting certain earnings and fees to the state wildlife account.

Brief Description: Redirecting certain moneys to the state wildlife account.

Sponsors: Senators Regala, Oke, Doumit, Parlette, Jacobsen, Morton and Rasmussen.

Brief History:

Committee Activity: Ways & Means:

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

Staff: Kirstan Arestad (786-7708)

Background: The Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife administers the state's commercial and recreational fishing permit system. Revenues from hunting and fishing license sales are deposited into the State Wildlife Account, except commercial fishing licenses, annual resident adult saltwater licenses, and annual razor clam and shellfish licenses, which are deposited into the state's general fund.

According to the Department, current spending in the State Wildlife Account is outpacing incoming revenues.

Summary of Bill: This bill redirects commercial fishing, annual resident adult saltwater, and annual razor clam/shellfish licenses to the State Wildlife Account.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Requested on January 29, 2006.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.