

SENATE BILL REPORT

HB 1229

As Reported By Senate Committee On:
Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation, March 21, 2007

Title: An act relating to correcting references to the state wildlife account.

Brief Description: Correcting references to the state wildlife account.

Sponsors: Representative B. Sullivan.

Brief History: Passed House: 1/29/07, 97-0.

Committee Activity: Natural Resources, Ocean & Recreation: 3/15/07, 3/21/07 [DP].

SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, OCEAN & RECREATION

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Jacobsen, Chair; Rockefeller, Vice Chair; Morton, Ranking Minority Member; Fraser, Hargrove, Poulsen, Spanel, Stevens and Swecker.

Staff: Kim Johnson (786-7346)

Background: The State Wildlife Account receives various revenues collected by the Department of Fish and Wildlife (Department). These revenues include, among many items, the sales of Department-issued licenses and tags, administrative penalties, compensation for damages, advertisement sales, and a game fish excise tax. Monies in the Wildlife Account are used primarily to support Department activities.

Prior to 2005, the Wildlife Account was legally named the Wildlife Fund. The Legislature changed the legal title to the Wildlife Account in 2005, but did not correct the existing cross references.

Summary of Bill: References to the antiquated name "Wildlife Fund" are corrected to reference the correct name, which is "Wildlife Account."

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Committee/Commission/Task Force Created: No.

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

Staff Summary of Public Testimony: PRO: This is a simple bill that corrects the name of the Wildlife Account so that it is technically accurate throughout the code.

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Persons Testifying: PRO: Representative Brian Sullivan, prime sponsor.