

Legislative Update

2.15.2018



Audubon Washington's weekly legislative update highlights issues and policies related to our state [conservation priorities](#).

- The 60-day 2018 regular Legislative Session is January 8 to March 8, 2018.
- Audubon Washington legislative updates are posted on [our website](#).
- Find up-to-date legislative information at the Washington State Legislature [site](#).
- Identify and contact your legislators via [this map](#).
- **NTIB (necessary to implement the budget)** = bill is not subject to cutoff calendar deadlines

Questions? Please contact the Chapter Conservation Manager at jsyrowitz@audubon.org, 206-652-2444 x108.

Our state-wide conservation priorities guide our interest in proposed bills. Bills that we are currently monitoring include the following:

CLEAN ENERGY

- [SB 6253](#) - Establishing a clean, efficient, renewable energy standard. **(NTIB) SUPPORT**
- [HB 2402](#) - Concerning the energy independence act. **UNDER REVIEW**
- [HB 2283](#) - Encouraging investment in and reducing the costs of transitioning to the clean energy future. **SUPPORT**

CARBON PRICING

- [SB 6203](#) - Reducing carbon pollution by moving to a clean energy economy. **(NTIB) SUPPORT**
- [SB 6096](#) - Establishing a carbon pollution reduction tax. **NOT LIKELY TO BE VEHICLE THAT MOVES**
- [SB 6335](#) - Creating a fossil fuel carbon pollution tax. **NOT LIKELY TO BE VEHICLE THAT MOVES**

ATLANTIC SALMON NET PENS

- [SB 6086](#) - Protecting the state's marine waters from the release of nonnative finfish from marine finfish aquaculture sites. **(passed the Senate and is in the House) SUPPORT**
- [HB 2957](#) – Reducing escape of nonnative finfish from marine finfish aquaculture facilities. **(passed the House and is in the Senate) SUPPORT**

RANGELAND FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATIONS

- [SB 6548](#) - Establishing the joint legislative task force on fire service administration. (**passed the Senate**) **SUPPORT**

SAFE OIL TRANSPORT

- [SB 6269](#) - Strengthening oil transportation safety. (**NTIB**) **SUPPORT**
- [HB 1611](#) - Concerning oil transportation safety. **SUPPORT**
- [HB 1210](#) / [SB 5425](#) - Strengthening funding for oil spill programs in Washington by increasing revenue to the oil spill prevention account. **SUPPORT**

MARbled MURRELET CONSERVATION

- [HB 2285](#) / [SB 6020](#) - Establishing a reporting process for the department of natural resources regarding certain marbled murrelet habitat information. (**HB 2285 passed the House and is in the Senate**) **SUPPORT**