Legislative Update



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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.
- Sign Up for 100% for Climate Lobby Day in Olympia on January 22nd!

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. SUPPORT
- <u>HB 1334</u> Concerning the energy independence act. SUPPORT
- HB 2283 Encouraging investment in and reducing the costs of transitioning to the clean energy future. UNDER REVIEW, 1334 or 6253 more likely to move
- HB 2347 Requiring electric utilities to provide reports on the lowest cost, lowest risk options for a transition to a zero-carbon electric grid. UNDER REVIEW

CARBON PRICING

- SB 6203 Reducing carbon pollution by moving to a clean energy economy. SUPPORT
- SB 6096 Establishing a carbon pollution reduction tax. UNDER REVIEW, 6203 more likely to move

LOW CARBON FUEL STANDARD

- HB 2338 Reducing the greenhouse gas emissions associated with transportation fuels.
 SUPPORT
- HB 2294 Aligning Washington's greenhouse gas emissions limits with those established by the United States' commitment under the 2015 Paris climate agreement. SUPPORT

 HB 2328 - Reducing emissions by making changes to the clean car standards and clean car program. SUPPORT

ATLANTIC SALMON NET PENS

- <u>SB 6086</u> Protecting the state's marine waters from the release of nonnative finfish from marine finfish aquaculture sites. SUPPORT
- HB 2418 Reducing impacts of nonnative finfish aquaculture by delaying construction of new nonnative finfish aquaculture facilities until thorough study, including structural analysis of existing facilities, is complete. UNDER REVIEW

RANGELAND FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATIONS

HB 2562 - Concerning rangeland fire protection associations. SUPPORT

SAFE OIL TRANSPORT

- 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 2300 Creating a legislative task force to provide economic relief for communities impacted by environmental protections of the marbled murrelet. UNDER REVIEW, 2285 more likely to move
- <u>HB 2285</u> / <u>SB 6020</u> Establishing a reporting process for the department of natural resources regarding certain marbled murrelet habitat information. UNDER REVIEW