



Senate

General Assembly

File No. 438

February Session, 2022

Substitute Senate Bill No. 237

Senate, April 13, 2022

The Committee on Environment reported through SEN. COHEN of the 12th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE FUNDING OF FISH HATCHERIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2022*) The sum of two million dollars is
2 appropriated to the Department of Energy and Environmental
3 Protection from the General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30,
4 2023, for the purpose of funding fish hatcheries, provided one million
5 dollars of such amount shall be utilized by the department to repopulate
6 species such as Atlantic salmon and American eel to the state.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>July 1, 202</i>	New section
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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: See Below

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill appropriates \$2.0 million to the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection in FY 23 for fish hatcheries. Of that amount, \$1.0 million must be used by DEEP to repopulate Atlantic salmon and American eel species.

sHB 5037, the Appropriations Committee Budget for FY 23, includes \$1.0 million for DEEP to repopulate Atlantic salmon and American eel.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing impact described above would continue into the future subject to appropriation levels and inflation.

OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Environment Committee

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