

Ballot Summary for 07WIFI

BILL PROHIBITING MIXING ZONES IN WATER USED BY FISH FOR SPAWNING, REARING AND MIGRATION

This bill would prohibit mixing zones in water used by salmon and resident fish for spawning, rearing and migration. A mixing zone is an area in water into which liquid wastes may be discharged and exceed water quality criteria. The purpose of a mixing zone is to allow wastes to be diluted so that they meet water quality criteria when they exit the mixing zone. The bill provides exceptions to the prohibition against mixing zones for certain users including some kinds of placer mines, shore-based seafood processors and public water works that process less than 1 million gallons of water a day.

Should this initiative become law?