

**2016 Legislature - Operating Budget
Wordage Report - Senate Structure**

Agency: Department of Fish and Game

	<u>17GovAmd</u>	<u>HouseSub</u>	<u>SenateSub</u>
<p><u>Conditional Language</u> The amount appropriated for the Department of Fish and Game includes the unexpended and unobligated balance on June 30, 2016, of receipts collected under the Department of Fish and Game's federal indirect cost plan for expenditures incurred by the Department of Fish and Game.</p>	X	X	X
<p>Ap: Commercial Fisheries <u>Conditional Language</u> The amount appropriated for Commercial Fisheries includes the unexpended and unobligated balance on June 30, 2016, of the Department of Fish and Game receipts from commercial fisheries test fishing operations receipts under AS 16.05.050(a)(14), and from commercial crew member licenses.</p>	X	X	X
<p>AI: Statewide Fisheries Management <u>Intent</u> It is the intent of the legislature that the Division of Commercial Fisheries look to reduce stock management last when allocating unallocated UGF spending reductions.</p>			X
<p><u>Intent</u> It is the intent of the legislature that the department first focus research and management dollars on fishery systems which have stocks of concern, in order to satisfy its constitutional responsibility of managing for sustained yield.</p>			X
<p><u>Intent</u> It is the intent of the legislature that the department not make any reductions in personnel or financial appropriations to any program or project directly linked to Stocks of Concern throughout the State.</p>			X
<p><u>Intent</u> It is the intent of the legislature that the department annually report the revenues subject to A.S.16.05.130 by project to the legislature on or before January 1, 2017.</p>			X
<p><u>Intent</u> It is the intent of the legislature that the department establish a baseline for Chinook smolt outmigration in the Chulitna, Lewis, Theodore, and Alexander rivers, and Willow, Goose, and Sheep creeks, and further that they establish a baseline for Sockeye smolt outmigration in the Yentna River, Northern District of Upper Cook Inlet.</p>			X

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<p><u>Intent</u> It is the intent of the legislature that all department comments, technical reports, and science data on Board proposals submitted to either the Board of Fish or the Board of Game be filed with the respective Board and be available for public examination at least 60 days prior to the start of the Board's meeting.</p>			X
<p>AI: Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission <u>Conditional Language</u> The amount appropriated for Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission includes the unexpended and unobligated balance on June 30, 2016, of the Department of Fish and Game, Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission program receipts from licenses, permits and other fees.</p>	X	X	X
<p>Ap: Wildlife Conservation <u>Intent</u> It is intent of the legislature that Alaska Department of Fish & Game work collaboratively with the Department of Natural Resources, local governments, and outdoor, sporting, tribal governments/organizations and trail non-profit organizations to identify qualifying matching projects to ensure that no Pittman-Robertson monies are returned to the federal government unspent.</p>		X	X
<p>Ap: Statewide Support Services AI: Commissioner's Office <u>Intent</u> It is the intent of the legislature that the department evaluate the use of unmanned aircraft for aerial survey work and report findings in regard to safety and cost-savings in comparison with the use of manned aircraft to the Finance Committee-Co-Chairs by the next legislative session.</p>		X	X
<p><u>Intent</u> It is the intent of the legislature that the department evaluate transitioning to mail-in, electronic, or telephonic harvest reports for subsistence areas in order to reduce costly door-to-door interviews for state subsistence research statewide, inclusive of rural and urban areas, and report its findings to the Finance Committee Co-Chairs the next legislative session.</p>		X	X
<p><u>Intent</u> It is the intent of the legislature that the department evaluate consolidation and reorganization of research and surveying staff between Commercial Fisheries, Sport Fisheries, and Wildlife Conservation in order to avoid duplicative efforts and find cost savings, and report its findings to the Finance Committee Co-Chairs for the next legislative session.</p>		X	X

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AI: Habitat

Intent

It is the intent of the legislature that the Division of Habitat immediately initiate a process to transfer project work to the private sector through contracting. Also that the division report back to the Finance Committees by January 31, 2017 on how they could achieve further cost savings by contracting with the private sector.

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AI: State Subsistence Research

Intent

It is the intent of the legislature that the department gather information from individual Game Management Unit 13 Tier I moose and caribou permit holders who reside in non-subsistence areas to determine the efforts by these permit holders to observe the customary and traditional use patterns established by the Board of Game for community hunts in GMU 13.

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