

Memorandum 2016-16

Fish and Game Law: Specific Types of Animals

The Commission¹ is presently studying a proposed recodification of the Fish and Game Code.² The staff had intended for this memorandum to present a draft of the provisions that regulate specific types of fish, invertebrates, amphibians, and reptiles. That draft is close to completion, but is not quite ready for release and discussion. Rather than release a nearly 200-page memorandum just a few days before the April meeting, the staff decided it would be best to postpone presentation of the draft on specific types of animals. We intend to release the draft shortly after the April meeting, which should give Commissioners and the public a more realistic time for review prior to discussion.

The staff had considered breaking the draft up into smaller parts, and releasing whichever parts were ready for review before the meeting. That turned out not to be practicable. Much of the material in the draft was interrelated and presented common questions about the best overall organization of the material. That made it preferable to work on all of the material at the same time. That approach reduces the likelihood that work on later parts would reveal issues that required adjustment to earlier parts.

The staff regrets the delay and any inconvenience this approach may have caused.

Respectfully submitted,

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1. Any California Law Revision Commission document referred to in this memorandum can be obtained from the Commission. Recent materials can be downloaded from the Commission's website (www.clrc.ca.gov). Other materials can be obtained by contacting the Commission's staff, through the website or otherwise.

The Commission welcomes written comments at any time during its study process. Any comments received will be a part of the public record and may be considered at a public meeting. However, comments that are received less than five business days prior to a Commission meeting may be presented without staff analysis.

2. See Memorandum 2012-41.