

## Memorandum 2022-14

**Fish and Game Law: Cumulative Draft**

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In this study, the Commission<sup>1</sup> has been directed by the Legislature to consider revision of the Fish and Game Code in order to make technical improvements to that law, without making any significant substantive change to the effect of the law.<sup>2</sup>

In December 2018 the Commission approved a tentative recommendation that would recodify the existing Fish and Game Code in a proposed new Fish and Wildlife Code.<sup>3</sup> After releasing the tentative recommendation, the Commission decided to divide public comment into two phases.<sup>4</sup> Phase One would consist of comments on revisions to the text of existing law. Phase Two would address the proposed organizational changes.

In reviewing the Phase One comments, the Commission has been developing a draft of proposed legislation to make technical improvements to the existing Fish and Game Code.<sup>5</sup> The Commission has been considering these proposed revisions in a series of memoranda that present the revisions in categories defined by the nature of the public comment received on the revision.<sup>6</sup>

Once approved for inclusion, proposed revisions are added to a progressively updated “cumulative draft” of proposed legislation, a draft that is then presented to the Commission in a recurring memorandum. The “cumulative draft” memorandum presented to the Commission on January 20, 2022,<sup>7</sup> contains all

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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](http://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 2012 Cal. Stat. res. ch.108 (ACR 98 (Wagner)).

3. See Memorandum 2018-67 and its First Supplement; Minutes (Dec. 2018), p. 10.

4. See Memorandum 2019-44, pp. 8-10; Minutes (Sept. 2019), p. 4.

5. See Memorandum 2021-11; Minutes (Feb. 2021), p. 5.

6. See, e.g., Memorandum 2021-57; Memorandum 2022-7.

7. Memorandum 2022-8.

proposed revisions approved by the Commission for inclusion in a draft recommendation, to date.

The staff has nothing to add to the cumulative draft at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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