

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 88

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 36—Relative to the creation of the Joint Committee on Fisheries and Aquaculture.

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Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the Joint Committee on Fisheries and Aquaculture is hereby created and authorized and directed to ascertain, study, and analyze all facts relating to the following:

1. Problems of the fishing and aquaculture industries, including, but not limited to, state and federal government regulatory actions, habitat degradation, lack of needed facilities, inadequate in-stream flows, and conflicts over limited resources.

2. Ways to overcome problems in the fishing and aquaculture industries and to encourage seafood production, provide employment, reduce the United States' balance-of-payments deficit, and stimulate the economy of California.

3. Protection, restoration, and enhancement of fishery resources by methods including, but not limited to, restocking of native strains, preventing significant ocean pollution, and restoring streams, wetlands, and other natural habitats.

4. Protection of California seafood consumers.

5. Collection of valid and reliable data on the fishing and aquaculture industries.

6. Resolution of conflicts concerning the fishing and aquaculture industries.

7. Oversight of executive branch activities concerning the fishing and aquaculture industries to ensure that those activities are cost-effective and in the best interest of the state; and be it further

Resolved, That the committee shall consist of four Members of the Senate appointed by the Committee on Rules thereof, and four Members of the Assembly, one of whom shall include the chairman of the appropriate Assembly policy committee, appointed by the Speaker thereof. Vacancies occurring in the membership of the committee shall be filled by the appointing power. The committee shall select as its first chairman one of the Members of the Senate who is appointed to serve thereon. The chairman shall thereafter be selected alternately from the membership of the Assembly and the Senate whenever a vacancy in the chairmanship occurs; and be it further

Resolved, That the committee and its members shall have and exercise all of the rights, duties, and powers conferred upon investigating committees and their members by the provisions of the Joint Rules of the Senate and Assembly as they are adopted and amended from time to time, which provisions are incorporated herein and made applicable to this committee and its members; and be it further

Resolved, That the committee shall have the following additional powers and duties:

1. To contract with such other agencies, public or private, as it deems necessary for the rendition and affording of such services, facilities, studies, and reports to the committee as will best assist it to carry out the purposes for which it is created.

2. To cooperate with and secure the cooperation of county, city, city and county, and other local law enforcement agencies in investigating any matter within the scope of this resolution and to direct the sheriff of any county to serve subpoenas, orders, or other process issued by the committee.

3. To report its findings and recommendations to the Legislature and to the people from time to time.

4. To do any and all other things necessary or convenient to enable it fully and adequately to exercise its powers, perform its duties, and accomplish the objects and purposes of this resolution; and be it further

Resolved, That the Joint Rules Committee may make such money available from the Contingent Funds of the Assembly and Senate as it deems necessary for the expenses of the committee and its members. In accordance with Joint Rule 36.8, any such expenditure of funds shall be made in compliance with policies set forth by the Joint Rules Committee and shall be subject to the approval of the Joint Rules Committee.
