NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
Council Legislative Committee - 8/10/26
August 10, 2026

Legislative Committee Agenda - VIRTUAL
Monday, August 10, 2026; 1:00 - 5:00 PM Alaska Time

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Please provide all written comments here

Reference documents

Attachments: Legislative Committee Terms of Reference

Committee Outcomes

Council Responses Informed by Committee Discussion

Attachments: NPFMC Comments on S4938 9-10-26

NPFMC Comment Letter on S5273 10-7-26

Agenda

1. Call to order and Introductions

Attachments: PPT for Legislative Committee

2. Update on Legislative issues from Dave Whaley

3. Review S. 4938 Bycatch Reduction Act draft legislation and develop draft comments

Attachments: S. 4938 Bycatch Reduction Act

Sen. Sullivan comments on introducing S.4938

Legislative Committee Discussion Items on S. 4938

4. Review S. 5273 Fisheries Science Modernization Act draft legislation and develop draft comments

Attachments: Fisheries Science Modernization Act Summary

Fisheries Science Modernization Act Section-by-Section

AEG26586 Fisheries Science Modernization Act Bill Text