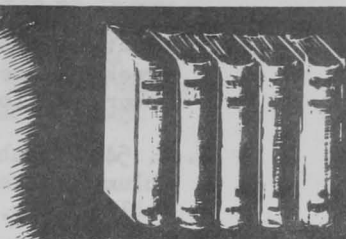




FEDERAL ACTIONS



Department of State

U. S. MEMBER OF THE INTERNATIONAL PACIFIC SALMON FISHERIES COMMISSION APPOINTED: The Secretary of State announced July 28 that the President has named Mr. Alvin Anderson, Director of Fisheries of the State of Washington, as a United States member of the International Pacific Salmon Fisheries Commission, United States and Canada. The appointment of Mr. Anderson fills the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Milo Moore, who is at present in charge of the Greek fisheries program for the Economic Cooperation Administration.

The International Pacific Salmon Fisheries Commission is charged, by treaty between the United States and Canada, with the duty of conserving and rebuilding the sockeye salmon fishery of the Fraser River System of British Columbia. Spawning in the far reaches of the river system, these salmon migrate to the Pacific Ocean where they are caught by the fishermen of both countries. At the height of its productivity this fishery yielded in one year 2,400,000 cases of the finest quality salmon. Later the yield was reduced to a tenth of that figure. The large runs that have been observed this year give every indication that the work of this International Commission is proving successful in restoring the potentially valuable sockeye salmon fishery to its former high rate of production.

Other United States members on the Commission are: Mr. Edward W. Allen, Attorney, of Seattle, now serving as Chairman, and Mr. Albert M. Day, Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service of the Department of the Interior.



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Listed below are all the public bills, resolutions, etc. introduced and referred to committees, and passed by the Eighty-First Congress during July 1949 (unless otherwise specified) which affect in any way the fisheries and fishing and allied industries.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEES:

House of Representatives:

H. R. 5472 (Whittington) - A bill authorizing the construction, repair, and preservation of certain public works on rivers and harbors for navigation, flood control, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Public Works.

- H. R. 5475 (Horan) - A bill to authorize the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Chief Joseph project on the Columbia River at Foster Creek, in the State of Washington, for irrigation, generation of electric power, and for the other purposes; to the Committee on Public Works.
- H. R. 5482 (Sanborn) - A bill approving plans for the development of the Columbia River Basin, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Public Works.
- H. R. 5484 (Sikes) - A bill to modify the Gulf intracoastal waterway between Big Lagoon and Pensacola, Fla.; to the Committee on Public Works.
- H. R. 5528 (McKinnon) - A bill to give effect to the convention between the United States of America and the Republic of Costa Rica for the establishment of an Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission, signed at Washington, May 31, 1949; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.
- H. R. 5165 (Cooley) - A bill to continue in effect until January 1, 1951, title III of the Second War Powers Act for the purpose of exercising import controls with respect to fats and oils and rice and rice products; to the Committee on Banking and Currency. (June 15, 1949. 1/)
- H. R. 5384 (McDonough) - A bill to provide for the holding of referendums among the citizens of the States to determine their wishes with respect to the establishment of valley authorities which would include their States; to the Committee on Public Works. (June 29, 1949.)
- H. Res. 294 (Bland) - Resolution to amend the Rules of the House to provide that the Delegate from Alaska shall serve on the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries; to the Committee on Rules.

Senate:

- S. 2313 (Chapman) - A bill to provide for the establishment of a fish-cultural station in the State of Kentucky; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.
- S. 2163 (Long) - A bill to authorize the transfer of the vessel Black Mallard from the Fish and Wildlife Service of the Department of the Interior to the Department of Wild Life and Fisheries of the State of Louisiana; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. (June 29, 1949.)
- S. 2057 (McCarthy) - A bill making certain changes in law applicable to the Department of the Interior so as to permit the effectuation by the President and the Secretary of the Interior of the recommendations regarding the Department made by the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government; to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. (June 13, 1949. 1/)
- S. 653 (Thomas of Utah for himself and 12 others) - A bill to provide for the amendment of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare. Mainly increases minimum wage hour rates from 40 cents to 75 cents. (January 27, 1949. 1/)

MESSAGES RECEIVED:

Senate:

International Technical Cooperation: Message was received from the Secretary of State submitting two drafts of proposed legislation to implement President's program to assist underdeveloped areas

to raise their standard of living. One proposal was for an International Technical Cooperation Act of 1949, which was referred to Committee on Foreign Relations, and the other was to amend the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945 so as to guarantee U. S. investments abroad, which was referred to Committee on Banking and Currency.

BILLS PASSED AND SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT:

- H. R. 1222 (P.L. 89) - An act to authorize the exchange of certain fishery facilities within the State of Washington. (Approved June 8, 1949.)
- H. R. 4252 (P.L. 163) - To transfer the trawlers Alaska and Oregon from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to the Fish and Wildlife Service. Approved July 13, 1949. Transfer made without transfer and reimbursement of funds. Authorizes the appropriation of such sums as may be necessary for the maintenance, repair, alteration, improvement, equipment, and operation of the vessels.
- H. R. 5044 (P.L. 153) - An act to continue for a temporary period certain powers, authority, and discretion in respect to tin and tin products conferred upon the President by the Second Decontrol Act of 1947, and for other purposes. (Approved June 30, 1949.)

1/This bill was not shown under this section previously.



TOTAL PRODUCTION AND DISPOSITION OF THE DOMESTIC CATCH OF FISHERY PRODUCTS 1929 TO 1948. (ROUND WEIGHT BASIS)					
YEAR	FRESH & FROZEN	CANNED	CURED	BYPRODUCTS AND BAIT	TOTAL PRODUCTION
	(MILLION POUNDS)				(POUNDS)
1929	1,352	1,286	150	779	3,567,277,000
1930	1,389	1,077	145	676	3,286,580,000
1931	1,121	962	130	444	2,657,317,000
1932	1,032	787	140	655	2,614,140,000
1933	1,012	991	135	795	2,933,459,000
1934	1,087	1,293	130	1,548	4,058,015,000
1935	1,250	1,220	130	1,466	4,065,802,000
1936	1,321	1,459	135	1,845	4,760,330,000
1937	1,339	1,356	130	1,528	4,352,549,000
1938	1,355	1,234	130	1,534	4,253,445,000
1939	1,366	1,281	130	1,666	4,443,328,000
1940	1,461	1,280	130	1,188	4,059,524,000
1941	1,660	1,645	125	1,650	5,080,000,000
1942	1,407	1,230	115	1,125	3,877,000,000
1943	1,495	1,165	114	1,428	4,202,000,000
1944	1,589	1,225	110	1,580	4,504,000,000
1945	1,841	1,230	110	1,389	4,570,000,000
1946	1,651	1,220	115	1,410	4,396,000,000
1947	1,650	1,275	115	1,310	4,350,000,000
1948 ^{1/}	1,680	1,275	115	1,385	4,455,000,000

^{1/}ESTIMATED.