Introduced by Senator Hertzberg

February 13, 2015

An act to amend Section 5993 of the Fish and Game Code, relating to fish and wildlife.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 233, as introduced, Hertzberg. Conduits and screens: fish screen monitoring.

Existing law regulates the construction and installation of any screen installed on conduits used in producing, generating, transmitting, delivering, or furnishing electricity for light, heat, or power and conduits with a maximum flow capacity over 250 cubic feet per second of water to prevent fish from passing through the conduit. Existing law requires, before the installation of any screen, the Department of Fish and Wildlife and the owner to enter into an agreement that defines the method of determining the cost of maintenance, repairs, operation, and keeping the screen free of debris.

This bill would additionally require the agreement to define the method of determining the cost of monitoring the screen's performance.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 5993 of the Fish and Game Code is 2 amended to read:
- 3 5993. Before the installation of any screen under the provisions
- 4 of this article, the department and the owner shall enter into an
- 5 agreement defining the method of determining the cost of

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- 1 monitoring screen performance, maintenance, repairs, operation,
- 2 and keeping the screen free of debris, which agreement shall
- 3 provide that, in the event either the department or the owner objects
- 4 to-such the cost, the matter shall be referred to the Director of
- 5 General Services for his *or her* final and conclusive decision.