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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Senator Hutson moved the following:

1           **Senate Substitute for Amendment (231276) (with title**  
2 **amendment)**

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4           Between lines 69 and 70  
5 insert:

6           Section 2. The Office of Program Policy Analysis and  
7 Government Accountability (OPPAGA) shall conduct a study to  
8 determine the potential economic impacts to the commercial shark  
9 fishing industry in this state and the potential environmental  
10 impacts to our oceans due to such industry, including the  
11 positive or negative impact to our oceans if the fishing and



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12 sale of shark fins in this state and the export of shark fins  
13 from this state are prohibited. In conducting the study, OPPAGA  
14 shall consult with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric  
15 Administration, Mote Marine Laboratory, the Fish and Wildlife  
16 Conservation Commission, the Guy Harvey Ocean Foundation, Shark  
17 Allies, the Diving Equipment and Marketing Association, any  
18 other interested entities, and commercial fishermen, and such  
19 study may consider any relevant information necessary. If the  
20 office determines that there is a negative economic or  
21 environmental impact to the commercial shark fishing industry in  
22 this state or to the oceans themselves, respectively, the office  
23 must consider potential actions that this state may take to  
24 lessen or offset such impacts to the extent practicable. OPPAGA  
25 shall submit a report of its findings to the President of the  
26 Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by  
27 October 1, 2021.

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29 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

30 And the title is amended as follows:

31 Delete line 6

32 and insert:

33 applicability; requiring the Office of Program Policy  
34 Analysis and Government Accountability to conduct a  
35 study on the economic and environmental impacts of the  
36 commercial shark fishing industry in this state;  
37 requiring the office to consult with specified  
38 entities in conducting the study; requiring the office  
39 to consider offsets to certain potential negative  
40 impacts if necessary; requiring a report to the



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41           Legislature by a specified date; providing an  
42           effective date.