



February 15, 2017

The Honorable Mike McGuire
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

**SUBJ: SB 144 (Fish and Wildlife: steelhead trout: fishing report-restoration card.
POSITION: SUPPORT**

Dear Senator McGuire,

California Sportfishing League (CSL) is pleased to support SB 144.

CSL represents recreational anglers across California on issues important to protecting fishing access, fisheries management, hatchery fish production and conservation of natural resources important to fisheries.

Since 1992, through the implementation of the Steelhead Report Card Program, the angling community has fought back against declining steelhead populations. Through the Steelhead Report Card Program, steelhead anglers have provided vital population monitoring data and modest funding for restoration and monitoring projects. The successes of the Steelhead Report Card Program are benefiting our watersheds and the angling community, and the program deserves to be reauthorized.

For these reasons, CSL supports SB 144.

Sincerely,

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Marko Mlikotin
Executive Director