

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2017 and 2018 HB4585

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

515 ILCS 5/10-26 new 515 ILCS 5/10-75

from Ch. 56, par. 10-75

Amends the Fish and Aquatic Life Code. Provides that all properly licensed individuals shall be permitted to take, in any one day, no more than one flathead catfish under 35 inches in length within the waters of Rock River. Provides that a flathead catfish in possession of an individual from Rock River that is over 35 inches in length shall be released immediately. Provides that all properly licensed individuals shall be permitted to take, in any one day, no more than 6 channel catfish under 30 inches in length within the waters of Rock River. Provides that a channel catfish in possession of an individual from Rock River that is over 30 inches in length shall be released immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning fish.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Fish and Aquatic Life Code is amended by changing Section 10-75 and by adding Section 10-26 as follows:
- 6 (515 ILCS 5/10-26 new)
- 7 Sec. 10-26. Daily limit; taking of catfish in Rock River. All properly licensed individuals shall be permitted to take, 8 9 in any one day, no more than one flathead catfish under 35 inches in length within the waters of Rock River. A flathead 10 catfish in possession of an individual from Rock River that is 11 12 over 35 inches in length shall be released immediately. All properly licensed individuals shall be permitted to take, in 13 14 any one day, no more than 6 channel catfish under 30 inches in length within the waters of Rock River. A channel catfish in 15 16 possession of an individual from Rock River that is over 30
- 18 (515 ILCS 5/10-75) (from Ch. 56, par. 10-75)

inches in length shall be released immediately.

Sec. 10-75. Application of Article. This Article 10 shall apply only to aquatic life in waters and lands wholly or in part within the boundaries of the State of Illinois, except as provided in Section 10-26 of this Code.

- The provisions of Sections 10-5 through 10-75 are subject to modification by administrative rule.
- Aquatic life legally taken in and transported from other states or countries may be possessed within the State of Illinois, subject to the provisions of Sections 15-55 and 15-60 of this Code.
- Any aquatic life taken at any time except during an open season established under this Code, including administrative rules, or of a size less than the minimum provided by this Code, including administrative rules, shall be immediately returned, without unnecessary injury, to the waters from which taken.
- 13 (Source: P.A. 87-833.)