

PROPOSAL 183

5 AAC 75.XXX New Section.

Amend regulations requiring conditions of fish available to inspection while in possession, as follows:

5 AAC 75 is amended by adding a new section:

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5 AAC 75.XXX. Finfish evidence of size and identity.

Until a finfish has been processed or prepared for human consumption, a person may not mutilate or otherwise disfigure it in a manner that would prevent the determination of species or the determination of length of fish. Species which can be used as bait are exempt from this requirement.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Maintaining an angler's harvest in a condition so the department or enforcement officer can verify species identification and length, when applicable, is important to the department and enforcement. Maintaining identifiable features helps law enforcement perform routine tasks and aids the department when biological information is required.

Did you develop your proposal in coordination with others, or with your local Fish and Game Advisory Committee? Explain.

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