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SENATE BILL NO. 369

BY SENATOR WALSWORTH

FISH/FISHING. Provides for the possession limits of crappie on Lake D'Arbonne. (8/1/14)

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2	To amend and reenact R.S. 56:325(B)(3) and (C), relative to the possession limit for crappie
3	caught on Lake D'Arbonne; to remove certain rule making restrictions related to
4	Lake D'Arbonne; to provide terms, conditions, and requirements; and to provide for
5	related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. R.S. 56:325(B)(3) and (C) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as
8	follows:
9	§325. Daily take, possession, and size limits; freshwater recreational fish; possession
10	of finfish filets prohibited
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14	(3) The possession limit for crappie caught in Toledo Bend Reservoir and in
15	Lake D'Arbonne on a recreational license shall be one hundred fish.
16	C. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the
17	commission may amend by rule, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure

Act, size limits, daily take limits, possession limits, seasons, and times set by law for freshwater recreational fish. Such limits, seasons, and times may vary between and among waterbodies based on biological data or for purposes of research or experimentation. However, the commission shall not amend by rule the provisions of Paragraph (A)(5) of this Section as it applies to Lake D'Arbonne and Paragraph (B)(3) of this Section.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by McHenry Lee.

DIGEST

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Present law sets a 100 fish possession limit for crappie on Lake D'Arbonne.

Proposed law changes the limit from 100 to 50.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes the La. Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to amend by rule size limits, daily take limits, possession limits, seasons and times for recreational fish, but prohibits the commission from amending the crappie limit on Lake D'Arbonne.

<u>Proposed law</u> removes the prohibition related to the possession limit for crappie on Lake D'Arbonne.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 56:325(B)(3) and (C))