STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

May 3, 2024

Introduced by M. of A. BORES -- read once and referred to the Committee on Environmental Conservation

AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to prohibiting the importation of bait fish into the state

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 11-1703 of the environmental conservation law is amended by adding a new subdivision 8 to read as follows:

8. No person shall import into the state any live bait fish as defined in subdivision one of section 11-1315 of this article, for the use of bait fishing in inland waters.

§ 2. Section 71-0921 of the environmental conservation law is amended by adding a new subdivision 15 to read as follows:

15. Any person who violates subdivision eight of section 11-1703 of this chapter shall be guilty of a class A misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine not to exceed twenty dollars for each fish unlawfully possessed.

§ 3. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after it shall have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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