

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 419

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND

FISHING: Provides for hand-grabbing of catfish and the taking of bream in minnow traps

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 56:320(A)(3) and (C)(1), relative to methods for taking fish; to
3 provide for taking of bream with minnow traps; to allow hand-grabbing of catfish;
4 and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 56:320(A)(3) and (C)(1) are hereby amended and reenacted to read
7 as follows:

8 §320. Methods of taking freshwater or saltwater fish

9 A.

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11 (3) However, notwithstanding Paragraphs (1) and (2) of this Subsection, and
12 any other provision of law to the contrary, bream of any species may be taken when
13 fishing for sport in freshwater by using a minnow trap that does not exceed twenty-
14 four inches in length and having a throat no larger than one inch by three inches for
15 noncommercial bait purposes ~~in any lake not wholly contained within this state~~
16 ~~which is in excess of one hundred thousand surface acres.~~

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18 C.(1) No person shall take or possess fish taken by means of spears, poisons,
19 stupefying substances or devices, explosives, guns, tree-topping devices, lead nets,
20 except as provided in R.S. 56:329(B), electricity, or any instrument or device capable

