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B misdemeanor.

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 10-100 as follows:
- 6 (515 ILCS 5/10-100) (from Ch. 56, par. 10-100)
- 7 Sec. 10-100. Release of aquatic life.
- 8 (a) It shall be unlawful to release any aquatic life into 9 the wild in this State without first securing permission of the 10 Department to do so, except that the owner of a body of water may release aquatic life indigenous to the State of Illinois 11 into waters wholly upon his or her property. The Department 12 shall have the authority to promulgate necessary rules and 13 14 regulations, under the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act, regulating the possession, transportation, and shipping of 15 16 aquatic life not indigenous to the State of Illinois. All 17 aquatic life may be immediately returned unharmed from where they were taken. A violation of this subsection (a) is a Class 18
- 20 (b) It is unlawful to possess, transport, or release any
  21 live specimen or viable gametes of any species listed as
  22 injurious by administrative rule, unless authorized by that
  23 rule. A violation of this subsection (b) is a Class A

- 1 misdemeanor.
- 2 (Source: P.A. 94-592, eff. 1-1-06.)