

# HB1854



## 101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB1854

by Rep. Jim Durkin

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

515 ILCS 5/10-100

from Ch. 56, par. 10-100

Amends the Fish and Aquatic Life Code. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning the unlawful release or introduction of aquatic life.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning fish.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Fish and Aquatic Life Code is amended by  
5 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~~ the wild in this State without first securing permission of  
10 the Department to do so, except that the owner of a body of  
11 water may release aquatic life indigenous to the State of  
12 Illinois into waters wholly upon his or her property. The  
13 Department shall have the authority to promulgate necessary  
14 rules and regulations, under the Illinois Administrative  
15 Procedure Act, regulating the possession, transportation, and  
16 shipping of aquatic life not indigenous to the State of  
17 Illinois. All aquatic life may be immediately returned unharmed  
18 from where they were taken. A violation of this subsection (a)  
19 is a Class B misdemeanor.

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. 98-1044, eff. 1-1-15.)