

Bill No. CS for SB 2024

Amendment No. Barcode 395910

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Senator Pruitt moved the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 43, between lines 4 and 5,

insert:

Section 26. Section 372.635, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

372.635 Illegal molestations or theft from freshwater traps, nets or buoys.--

(1) It is a felony of the third degree, punishable as provided in s. 775.082, s. 775.083, or s. 775.084, for any person, firm, or corporation to:

(a) Willfully molest any authorized and lawfully permitted freshwater traps, nets, lines or buoys, belonging to another, without the express written consent of the trap or net owner, available for immediate inspection; or

(b) Willfully remove the contents of any authorized and lawfully permitted freshwater traps or nets belonging to another, without the express written consent of the trap or net owner, available for immediate inspection.

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1 (2) A person convicted of removing the contents of a
2 freshwater trap shall permanently lose his or her freshwater
3 and saltwater fishing privileges, including recreational and
4 commercial licenses and endorsements. In addition, any person,
5 firm, or corporation convicted of violating this subsection
6 shall also be assessed an administrative penalty of up to
7 \$5,000. In such cases, endorsements are nontransferable.
8 Immediately upon receiving a citation for a violation of
9 removing the contents of a freshwater trap and until
10 adjudicated for such a violation, or if convicted of such
11 violation, the violator is prohibited from transferring any
12 endorsements.

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14 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

17 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

18 And the title is amended as follows:

19 On page 1, line 16, after the semicolon.

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21 insert:

22 creating s. 372.635, F.S.; prohibiting the
23 illegal molestation or theft from freshwater
24 traps, nets, or buoys; providing penalties;

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