

By the Committee on Natural Resources; and Senators Mitchell, Smith, King and Cowin

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to Silver Springs and Rainbow Springs; permitting fishing from the shore of the Rainbow River; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Section 372.27, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

372.27 Silver Springs and Rainbow Springs, etc., closed to all fishing.--It is unlawful for any person to take any fish within Marion County, from the waters of Rainbow Springs and Rainbow River (formerly known as Blue Springs and Blue Springs River) within that portion of Rainbow Springs State Park lying within a radius of 1,700 feet ~~1 mile~~ from the head of Rainbow ~~said~~ Spring, or from the waters of Silver Springs or Silver Springs Run from the head of Silver Springs ~~said spring~~ to its junction with the Oklawaha River. However, ~~provided, that~~ the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission may remove or cause to be removed any gar, mud fish, or other predatory fish from either spring or river when in its judgment their removal is desirable.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2002.

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN  
COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
Senate Bill 680

The committee substitute deletes the restriction to fishing from the shore of the Rainbow River and, instead, permits fishing anywhere on the Rainbow River except within that portion of the Rainbow Springs State Park lying within a radius of 1700 feet from the head of Rainbow Springs.