CHAPTER 35 SB 182 – FINAL VERSION

2015 SESSION

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SENATE BILL 182

AN ACT relative to the sale of freshwater fishing bait.

SPONSORS: Sen. Watters, Dist 4; Sen. Bradley, Dist 3; Sen. Little, Dist 8; Rep. Sanders,

Rock 12; Rep. Forest, Hills 18

COMMITTEE: Energy and Natural Resources

ANALYSIS

This bill provides that the license required for the sale of freshwater fishing bait includes aquatic invertebrates.

This bill is a request of the fish and game department.

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Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in **bold italics**.

Matter removed from current law appears [in brackets and struckthrough.]

Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fifteen

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Effective Date: July 1, 2015

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1	35:1 Fish and Game; Sale of Freshwater Baitfish. Amend the subdivision heading preceding
2	RSA 214:34 to read as follows:
3	Sale of Freshwater [Baitfish] Fishing Bait
4	35:2 License Required; Aquatic Invertebrates Added. Amend RSA 214:34, I to read as follows:
5	I. No person shall take with the intent to sell, sell, or offer to sell live fish or aquatic
6	invertebrates for bait without first procuring a license to do so.
7	35:3 Rules; Aquatic Invertebrates Added. Amend RSA 214:35 to read as follows:
8	214:35 Rules. The executive director shall have the authority, pursuant to RSA 541-A, to adopt
9	and enforce rules relative to bait dealers dealing in live fish or aquatic invertebrates with the
10	exception of the daily bag limits and possession limits. The bag limits and possession limits shall be
11	as follows: A retailer may take 20 quarts per day and hold a maximum of 100 quarts possession
12	limit at any one time. A wholesaler may take 100 quarts per day and hold a maximum of 200 quarts
13	possession limit at any one time. Nothing in this section shall affect the sale of garden worms or
14	night crawlers.
15	35:4 Effective Date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.
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17	Approved: May 7, 2015