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FREE WINTER FISHING DAYS

House Bill 5053

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5053 AS INTRODUCED 10-26-99

Under the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (NREPA), the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) may designate two consecutive days each year as free fishing days, during which a resident or nonresident may fish for all species of fish, in waters designated by the DNR, without having to purchase a license or permit. House Bill 5053 would amend the act to have the DNR designate a Saturday and Sunday in January or February each year as a “free winter fishing weekend,” and to specify that the department could also designate one other day, or two other consecutive days, as free fishing days.

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