

AN ACT

RELATING TO FISHING; AMENDING A SECTION OF CHAPTER 17 NMSA
1978 TO ADD TILAPIA AND STRIPED BASS TO GAME FISH.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. Section 17-2-3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1967,
Chapter 8, Section 1, as amended) is amended to read:

"17-2-3. PROTECTED WILDLIFE SPECIES AND GAME FISH
DEFINED.--

A. The following mammals are game mammals:

(1) all of the family Tayassuidae

(javelina);

(2) within the family Bovidae:

(a) all of the genus Bison (American
bison) except where raised in captivity for domestic or
commercial meat production;

(b) all of the genus Capra (ibex)
except for the domestic species of goats;

(c) all of the genus Ovis (bighorn
sheep) except for the domestic species of sheep;

(d) all of the genus Ammotragus

(aoudad);

(e) all of the genus Tragelaphus

(kudu); and

(f) all of the genus Oryx (oryx);

- (3) all of the family Antilocapridae
(American pronghorn);
- (4) all of the family Cervidae (elk and
deer);
- (5) all of the family Ochotonidae (pikas);
- (6) all of the genus Sciurus (squirrels);
- (7) all of the genus Tamiasciurus (red
squirrels);
- (8) all of the genus Marmota (marmots) of
the family Sciuridae;
- (9) all of the family Ursidae (bear); and
- (10) all of the species concolor (cougar) of
the genus Felis and family Felidae.

B. The following birds are game birds:

- (1) all of the family Anatidae (waterfowl);
- (2) all of the family Tetraonidae (grouse
and ptarmigans);
- (3) all of the family Phasianidae (quail,
partridges and pheasants);
- (4) all of the family Meleagridae (wild
turkeys) except for the domestic strains of turkeys;
- (5) all of the family Perdricidae
(francolins);
- (6) all of the family Gruidae (cranes);
- (7) all of the family Rallidae (rails, coots

and gallinules);

(8) all of the family Charadriidae (plovers, turnstones and surfbirds);

(9) all of the family Scolopacidae (shorebirds, snipe, sandpipers and curlews);

(10) all of the family Recurvirostridae (avocets and stilts);

(11) all of the family Phalaropodidae (phalaropes); and

(12) all of the family Columbidae (wild pigeons and doves) except for the domestic strains of pigeons.

C. The following fish are game fish:

(1) all of the family Salmonidae (trout);

(2) all of the family Esocidae (pike);

(3) all of the family Ictaluridae (catfish);

(4) all introduced species of the family Serranidae (sea bass and white bass);

(5) all of the family Centrarchidae (sunfish, crappie and bass);

(6) all of the family Percidae (walleye pike and perch);

(7) all introduced species of the family Pomadasyidae (sargo);

(8) all introduced species of the family Sciaenidae (corvina, bairdiella and redfish);

(9) all of the genus Oreochromis (tilapia);

and

(10) all of the family Moronidae (striped
bass, hybrid striped bass, white bass and others)."

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