

eliminating-certain-restrictions-on-the-size-of--hybrids--of striped---bass--or--rockfish--caught--under--this--Act; and generally relating to the catching, possessing, and transporting of hybrids of striped bass or rockfish from certain freshwater impoundments.

BY-repealing-and-reenacting, with-amendments,

Article---Natural-Resources  
Section-4-2A-08  
Annotated-Code-of-Maryland  
{1983-Replacement-Volume-and-1985-Supplement}

BY adding to

Article - Natural Resources  
Section 4-2A-08.1  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1983 Replacement Volume and 1985 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Natural Resources

4-2A-08-

{a}--Except--as--provided-in-subsection-(b)-of-this-section, the-provisions-of-this-subtitle-do-not-prohibit:

{1}--Importation-into-the-State-of-fish-which--may--be lawfully--imported--into--the-United-States-or-lawfully-taken-and removed-from-another-state; or

{2}--Entry--into--this--State---or---the---possession, transportation, exportation, processing, sale, offer-for-sale, or shipment--of--any--fish--which--is--designated--an--endangered-or threatened-species-in-this-State--but--not--in--the--state--where originally---taken,--if--the--person--engaging--in--the--activity demonstrates-by-substantial-evidence-that-the-fish--was--lawfully taken-and-lawfully-removed-from-the-state-of-origin;

{b}-{1}--If--the--species--of--fish-known-as-striped-bass-or rockfish{, including hybrids thereof,} is-listed-as-threatened-or endangered-pursuant-to--the--provisions--of--this--subtitle,--all prohibitions-of-this-subtitle-shall-apply-to-any-striped-bass-{or hybrid}-located-within-the-State-whether-or-not-the-fish-may-have been--taken--lawfully--in--another-state,--except-as-authorized-in this-subsection;

{2}--a-person-may-possess-striped-bass-or-hybrids-from another-state-while-transporting-them-through-this-State-for-sale in-another-state-if-the-person--can--demonstrate--by--substantial