(ii) A delegation pursuant to this paragraph shall be effective for not more than 2 years, unless renewed by the Secretary.

(iii) Every such delegation shall be subject to suspension by the Secretary, after opportunity is afforded for a hearing, upon a finding that the county or municipal program has fallen below the standard of comparable effectiveness. During a period of suspension, the Department shall enforce compliance in the affected jurisdiction.

(iv) Any county or municipality requesting either delegation of enforcement authority or renewal of delegation under this subtitle shall submit the request to the Secretary on or before January 1 immediately preceding the fiscal year for which delegation or renewal of delegation is sought. [The Secretary shall grant or deny such a request on or before April 1 of the year during which delegation is sought by a county or municipality.]

(V) ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1 OF THE YEAR DURING WHICH DELEGATION IS SOUGHT BY A COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY, THE SECRETARY SHALL:

- 1. GRANT THE REQUEST;
- 2. DENY THE REQUEST; OR
- 3. DELEGATE A SPECIFIC PORTION OF THE ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY UNDER THIS SUBTITLE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1989.

Approved May 5, 1989.

CHAPTER 104

(Senate Bill 143)

AN ACT concerning

Size Limits - Largemouth Bass, Smallmouth Bass, and Summer Flounder

FOR the purpose of modifying the minimum size limits for certain species of fish during certain time periods.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,