## DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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John O'Brien:

This is the fish and bait reciprocity draft. The prohibition in proposed s. 95.62 (2) is intended to respond to a prohibition by another state on using minnows brought in from outside of that state for bait and on bringing live minnows into the state (except for use for feeding hatchery fish) and to similar prohibitions.

I wonder whether it is necessary to use such a broad definition of "bait," especially since the DNR bait dealer license only covers the sale of minnows, frogs, and crayfish.

I did not use the terminology in the proposed language for this draft relating to being chartered by this state and issuing a certificate of authority to do business in this state because that terminology is not applicable to the way this state currently regulates those who sell bait and farm-raised fish.

Please let me know if you have any questions or redraft instructions.

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