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AMENDMENT MEMO



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2021 Assembly Bill 576 authorizes the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to provide up to 15 lake sturgeon carcasses culled from state fish hatcheries to a nonprofit organization, Sturgeons for Tomorrow, Inc., each year, if the organization submits a request for such carcasses. If the organization receives sturgeon carcasses under the bill, it must award them as prizes in a licensed raffle, and it must do all of the following:

- Preserve the carcasses for taxidermy and mounting.
- Provide certificates of transfer to people who receive the carcasses.
- Use the proceeds from the raffle to promote sturgeon management, conduct sturgeon habitat management, promote sturgeon reintroduction, or further sturgeon research.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1

Assembly Amendment 1 removes the word “culled” in each provision where it appears in the bill. That change more accurately reflects DNR’s current fish hatchery practices.

BILL HISTORY

Representative Thiesfeldt offered Assembly Amendment 1 on January 13, 2022. On February 22, 2022, the Assembly Committee on Sporting Heritage recommended adoption of the amendment on a vote of Ayes, 13; Noes, 1; and passage of the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 14; Noes, 0.

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