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# CHAPTER 26

## 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);

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

14 B. The following birds are game birds:

- 15 (1) all of the family Anatidae (waterfowl);  
16 (2) all of the family Tetraonidae (grouse  
17 and ptarmigans);  
18 (3) all of the family Phasianidae (quail,  
19 partridges and pheasants);  
20 (4) all of the family Meleagridae (wild  
21 turkeys) except for the domestic strains of turkeys;  
22 (5) all of the family Perdricidae  
23 (francolins);  
24 (6) all of the family Gruidae (cranes);  
25 (7) all of the family Rallidae (rails, coots

1 and gallinules);

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

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

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

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

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

12 C. The following fish are game fish:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

and

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



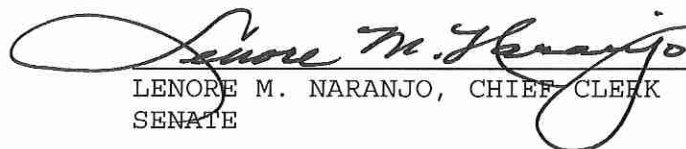
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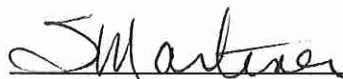


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