

HCS HB 222 -- FISHING PERMITS AND LICENSES (Luetkemeyer)

This substitute:

(1) Allows individuals and corporations to sponsor certain fishing contests on Missouri lakes without a permit from the Department of Conservation. To qualify the contest must be part of a multi-state contest; can involve only fish tagged in the presence of a representative of the department and have only one tagged fish with a value of more than \$1,000 and less than \$1,000,000 per lake; cannot have an entrance fee; must require all participants to have fishing licenses; and must be completed in less than 30 days;

(2) Allows people to fish during Father's Day, Mother's Day, and Grandparent's Day weekends without obtaining a fishing permit or license; and

(3) Allows people to hand fish for catfish and carp during June and July.

FISCAL NOTE: Net Reduction to Conservation Commission Fund of \$137,000 in FY 2004, FY 2005, and FY 2006.