

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Natural Resources and Energy to which was referred  
3 House Bill No. 570 entitled “An act relating to hunting, fishing, and trapping”  
4 respectfully reports that it has considered the same and recommends that the  
5 Senate propose to the House that the bill be amended as follows:

6 **First:** In Sec. 2, 10 V.S.A. § 4611, by amending the title of the section as  
7 follows:

8 § 4611. SALE OF ~~SALMON, TROUT, AND BLACK BASS~~ FISH

9 **Second:** In Sec. 6, 10 V.S.A. § 4503, in the second sentence, after “4781,  
10 4783,” and before “4784” by striking out “and” and inserting or

11 **Third:** In Sec. 7, 10 V.S.A. § 4514, by amending the title of the section as  
12 follows:

13 § 4514. POSSESSION OF FLESH OF GAME; RESTITUTION

14 and by striking out subdivision (b)(1) in its entirety and inserting in lieu  
15 thereof the following:

16 (1) Big game no more than \$2,000.00  
17 and no less than \$200.00  
18 for the first offense and no  
19 less than \$500.00  
20 each for a second and  
21 subsequent offense



1           (B) The change is for no other purpose than one or more of the  
2           following:

3                   (i) To improve the safety of range employees, users of the range,  
4                   or the public. The Department of Fish and Wildlife may certify that a change  
5                   in a sport shooting range is for this purpose and this certification shall be  
6                   conclusive evidence that a purpose of the change is to improve the safety of  
7                   employees, users, or the public.

8                   (ii) To abate noise from activities at the range. A qualified noise  
9                   abatement professional may certify that a change in a sport shooting range is  
10                  for this purpose and this certification shall be conclusive evidence that a  
11                  purpose of the change is to abate noise from activities at the range.

12                  (iii) To remediate, mitigate, or reduce impacts to air or water  
13                  quality from the range or the deposit or disposal of waste generated by the  
14                  range or its use. The Department of Environmental Conservation may certify  
15                  that a change in a sport shooting range is for this purpose and this certification  
16                  shall be conclusive evidence that such remediation, mitigation, or reduction  
17                  constitutes a purpose of the change.

18                  (2) Obtaining a certification described in subdivision (1) of this  
19                  subsection shall be at the option of the range's owner.

1       Sec. 20. EFFECTIVE DATES

2           This act shall take effect on July 1, 2016, except that Secs. 1 (regulation of  
3           fish), 2 (commercial sale of fish), and 3 (importation and stocking of fish) shall  
4           take effect on January 1, 2017.

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7           (Committee vote: \_\_\_\_\_)

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Senator \_\_\_\_\_

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FOR THE COMMITTEE