

*Clause* BILL NO. *292*

INTRODUCED BY

*Anneline Stargisville Johnson*

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 26-201, R.C.M. 1947, TO CLASSIFY BURBOT, CHANNEL CATFISH, PALLID STURGEON, AND SHOVELNOSE STURGEON AS GAME FISH."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 26-201, R.C.M. 1947, is amended to read as follows:

"26-201. Definitions. For the purposes of this act, the following shall be construed, respectively to mean:

Commission. The state fish and game commission.

Person. The plural or singular, male or female, as the case demands, including individual, associations, partnerships, and corporations, unless the context otherwise requires.

Open season. The time during which game birds, fish, game and fur-bearing animals may be lawfully taken.

Closed season. The time during which game birds, fish, game and fur-bearing animals may not be lawfully taken.

Angling or fishing. The taking of, or attempting to take fish by hook and single line or single rod in hand or within immediate control.

Upland game birds. Sharp-tail grouse, blue grouse,

prairie chicken, sage hen or sage grouse, fool hen, ruffed grouse, commonly called native pheasant or native partridge, quail, Chinese pheasant and Mongolian pheasant, commonly called ring-necked pheasant, Hungarian partridge, ptarmigan, wild turkey, and chukar partridge.

Migratory game birds. Waterfowl, including wild ducks, wild geese, brant, and swans; cranes, including little brown, sandhill and whooping cranes; rails, including coots, gallinules, sora or other rails; shore birds, including avocets, curlew, dowitcher, godwits, knots, upland plover, killdeer, sandpipers, Wilson snipes or jacksnipes, snipes, stilts, plovers, willets and yellow legs.

Nongame birds. All wild birds not defined herein as upland game birds or migratory game birds, shall be deemed nongame birds.

Game animals. Deer, elk, moose, antelope, caribou, mountain sheep, mountain goat, mountain lion, and bear.

Fur-bearing animals. Marten or sable, otter, muskrat, fisher, mink, beaver and black-footed ferret.

Predatory animals. Coyote, wolf, weasel, skunk and civet cat, and bobcat.

Game fish. All species of the family salmonidae (cnars, trout, salmon, grayling, and whitefish); all species of the genus stizostedion (sandpike or sauger and walleyed pike or yellowpike perch); all species of the genus esox (northern

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2 micropeterus micropterus (bass); all species of the genus  
3 polyodon (paddlefish); and all species of the genus  
4 acipenser family acipenseridae (sturgeon); all species of  
5 the genus lota (burbot or ling); and the species ictalurus  
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7 Wild buffalo. Buffalo or bison which have not been  
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16 Game animals. Deer, elk, moose, antelope, caribou,  
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