

HOUSE BILL NO. 828

2/15 Introduced
2/15 Referred to Fish & Game
2/21 Hearing
2/22 Committee Report-Bill Do pass
2/25 2nd Reading Pass
2/26 3rd Reading Do Not Pass
2/26 Bill Killed

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 2 INTRODUCED BY Ream Moran
 3 Christians

4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ADDING THE WHITE
 5 STURGEON TO THE STATE ENDANGERED SPECIES LIST; DIRECTING THE
 6 AMENDMENT OF RULE 12.5.201, ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF MONTANA;
 7 AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

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 9 WHEREAS, the Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks
 10 completed a study supporting a determination that the white
 11 sturgeon (*acipenser transmontanus*) is an endangered species
 12 within Montana; and

13 WHEREAS, the Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks
 14 submitted a request to the Legislature to place the white
 15 sturgeon on the state endangered species list pursuant to
 16 87-5-107, MCA; and

17 WHEREAS, classification of the species as endangered
 18 would assist the Department in development and
 19 implementation of a recovery plan.

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

22 Section 1. The department of fish, wildlife, and parks
 23 shall amend Rule 12.5.201, Administrative Rules of Montana,
 24 to read:

25 "12.5.201 ENDANGERED SPECIES LIST (1) The following

1 endangered species list is established in accordance with
 2 Title 87, Chapter 5, MCA. Except as otherwise provided, it
 3 is unlawful for any person to take, possess, transport,
 4 export, sell or offer for sale, and for any common or
 5 contract carrier knowingly to transport or receive for
 6 shipment any species or subspecies of wildlife appearing on
 7 the following list:

- 8 (a) American peregrine falcon (*falco peregrinus*
- 9 *anatum*);
- 10 (b) whooping crane (*grus americana*);
- 11 (c) Northern Rocky Mountain wolf (*canis lupus*
- 12 *irremotus*);
- 13 (d) black-footed ferret (*mustela nigripes*);
- 14 (e) white sturgeon (*acipenser transmontanus*)."

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