

HOUSE BILL 551

Introduced by Harrington, et al.

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2/03	Referred to Fish & Game
2/09	Hearing
2/10	Committee Report--Bill Not Passed
2/11	Adverse Committee Report Adopted

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 551
2 INTRODUCED BY Harrington Menaker
3 Ream J. Brown Druid
4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO ALLOW A RESIDENT
5 MINOR UNDER 12 YEARS OF AGE TO FISH DURING OPEN SEASON WITH
6 LIVE BAIT OR LURES IN ANY MONTANA WATERS; AND AMENDING
7 SECTION 87-2-805, MCA."

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

10 **Section 1.** Section 87-2-805, MCA, is amended to read:

11 **"87-2-805. Persons under fifteen years of age. (1)**
12 Resident minors from 12 years through 14 years of age may
13 fish and may hunt upland and migratory birds during the open
14 season with only a conservation license. Resident minors
15 under 12 years of age may fish without a license. However,
16 no nonresident person under the age of 15 years may fish in
17 or on any Montana waters without first having obtained a
18 Class B or B-4 fishing license unless the nonresident person
19 under the age of 15 years is in the company of an adult in
20 possession of a valid Montana fishing license. The limit of
21 fish for the nonresident person and the accompanying adult
22 combined may not exceed the limit for one adult as
23 established by law or by rule of the department.

24 (2) Residents, as defined by 87-2-102, under the age
25 of 15 years may purchase Class A-3 and A-5 licenses at a

1 price equal to one-half the fee paid by a resident who is 15
2 years of age or older and under 62 years of age.

3 (3) Resident minors under 12 years of age may fish
4 during the open season with live bait or lures in or on any
5 Montana waters."

6 **NEW SECTION. Section 2.** Extension of authority. Any
7 existing authority to make rules on the subject of the
8 provisions of [this act] is extended to the provisions of
9 [this act].

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