Report to Legislative Council Rules Clearinghouse NR 25.06(2)(b)1., Wis. Adm. Code Natural Resources Board Order No. FH-07-07

Wisconsin Statutory Authority

ss. 29.014(1), 29.041, 29.519(1m)(b) and 227.11(2)(a), Stats., interpreting ss. 29.014(1), 29.041 and 29.519(1m), Stats.

Federal Authority

N/A

Court Decisions Directly Relevant

None

Analysis of the Rule - Rule Effect - Reason for the Rule

Yellow perch abundance fluctuates widely. For the most part these fluctuations can be attributed to weather and to biological factors outside our control. But commercial and recreational harvests can deplete a population and inhibit recovery when numbers are low, so the Department regulates the harvest of yellow perch from Green Bay by limiting the annual total allowable commercial harvest and the daily recreational bag limit. The Department attempts to split the allowable harvest equally between sport and commercial fishers. The proposed rule would increase the total allowable commercial harvest from 60,000 pounds to 100,000 pounds.

Agency Procedures for Promulgation

Public hearings, Natural Resources Board final adoption, followed by legislative review.

Description of any Forms (attach copies if available)

None

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