

Mississippi Secretary of State

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES NOTICE FILING

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Short explanation of rule/amendment/repeal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/repeal: TITLE 22 – MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES PART 7 REGULATIONS TO PROVIDE SIZE LIMITS AND BAG LIMITS ON CERTAIN FISH SPECIES AND TO PREVENT SALE OF SEAFOOD BY RECREATIONAL FISHERMEN Chapters 8 and 9 Cobia size limit changes.

Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: Mississippi Code Ann. § 49-15-15, APA, § 25-43-1.101 *et seq.*

List all rules repealed, amended, or suspended by the proposed rule: Title 22, Part 7: (see above summary description; complete description attached).

ORAL PROCEEDING:

- ☐ An oral proceeding is scheduled for this rule on Date: _____ Time: _____ Place: _____
- ☒ Presently, an oral proceeding is not scheduled on this rule.

If an oral proceeding is not scheduled, an oral proceeding must be held if a written request for an oral proceeding is submitted by a political subdivision, an agency or ten (10) or more persons. The written request should be submitted to the agency contact person at the above address within twenty (20) days after the filing of this notice of proposed rule adoption and should include the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the person(s) making the request; and, if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the party or parties you represent. At any time within the twenty-five (25) day public comment period, written submissions including arguments, data, and views on the proposed rule/amendment/repeal may be submitted to the filing agency.

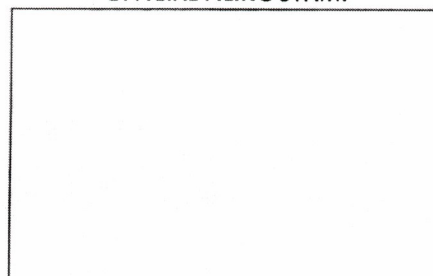
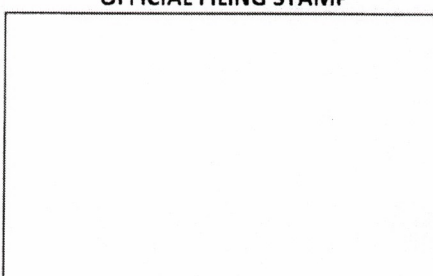
ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

- ☒ Economic impact statement not required for this rule. ☐ Concise summary of economic impact statement attached.

TEMPORARY RULES	PROPOSED ACTION ON RULES	FINAL ACTION ON RULES
_____ Original filing _____ Renewal of effectiveness To be in effect in _____ days Effective date: _____ Immediately upon filing _____ Other (specify): _____	Action proposed: _____ New rule(s) ☒ Amendment to existing rule(s) _____ Repeal of existing rule(s) _____ Adoption by reference Proposed final effective date: ☒ 30 days after filing _____ Other (specify): _____	Date Proposed Rule Filed: Action taken: _____ Adopted with no changes in text _____ Adopted with changes _____ Adopted by reference _____ Withdrawn _____ Repeal adopted as proposed Effective date: _____ 30 days after filing _____ Other (specify): _____

Printed name and Title of person authorized to file rules: Joe Spraggins Executive Director

Signature of person authorized to file rules: 

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The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.

Complete description of proposed changes:

TITLE 22 – MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES, PART 7 Regulations to Provide Size Limits and Bag Limits on Certain Fish Species and to Prevent Sale of Seafood by Recreational Fishermen

Chapter 08 Recreational Bag, Possession and Size Limits

102 It shall be unlawful for recreational fishermen to possess any of the following named species of fish under the lengths prescribed:

102.03 Cobia – ~~thirty-three (33)~~ thirty-six (36) inches (fork length).

Chapter 09 Commercial Size, Possession and Catch Limits

102 It shall be unlawful for any commercial fishermen to possess any Cobia smaller than ~~thirty-three (33)~~ thirty-six (36) inches fork length or to possess more than a daily bag limit of two (2) Cobia per person.