

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES LOCAL BILL STAFF ANALYSIS

BILL #: HB 4037 Broward County/Saltwater Fishing

SPONSOR(S): Waldman

TIED BILLS: **IDEN./SIM. BILLS:**

REFERENCE	ACTION	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR or BUDGET/POLICY CHIEF
1) Local & Federal Affairs Committee	17 Y, 0 N	Dougherty	Rojas
2) State Affairs Committee	17 Y, 0 N	Renner	Camechis

SUMMARY ANALYSIS

This bill repeals ch. 12554, L.O.F., establishing a minimum landing size for mullet caught in Broward County, Florida, as the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission now regulates landing size state-wide.

FULL ANALYSIS

I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

A. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

This bill repeals ch. 12554, L.O.F., which sets the minimum landing size for mullet caught in Broward County at 10½ inches. This provision is obsolete and duplicative as the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission now regulates mullet landing size. Chapter 68B-39.003, F.A.C., prohibits harvesting or possessing a quantity of mullet smaller than 11 inches that exceeds 10 percent of the total weight of all mullet possessed at any time.

B. SECTION DIRECTORY:

Section 1: Repeals ch. 12554, L.O.F., relating to saltwater fishing in Broward County, Florida.

Section 2: Provides an effective date of upon becoming law.

II. NOTICE/REFERENDUM AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS

A. NOTICE PUBLISHED? Yes ☒ No ☐

IF YES, WHEN? January 23, 2013

WHERE? The *Sun-Sentinel*, a daily newspaper published in Broward County, Florida.

B. REFERENDUM(S) REQUIRED? Yes ☐ No ☒

IF YES, WHEN?

C. LOCAL BILL CERTIFICATION FILED? Yes, attached ☒ No ☐

D. ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT FILED? Yes, attached ☒ No ☐

III. COMMENTS

A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES: None.

B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY: None.

C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS: None.

IV. AMENDMENTS/ COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES

N/A