

By the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; and
Senators Boyd and Perry

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the sale of aquaculture products;
3 amending s. 597.004, F.S.; authorizing certified
4 aquaculture producers and certain licensed dealers to
5 sell Florida largemouth bass without restriction under
6 certain circumstances; making technical changes;
7 providing an effective date.
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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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11 Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (5) of section
12 597.004, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

13 597.004 Aquaculture certificate of registration.—

14 (5) SALE OF AQUACULTURE PRODUCTS.—

15 (a) An aquaculture producer certified pursuant to this
16 section or a dealer licensed pursuant to part VII of chapter 379
17 may sell aquaculture products, except shellfish; ~~snook;~~ ~~and~~
18 any fish of the genus *Micropterus*, excluding the species
19 *Micropterus salmoides floridanus* (Florida largemouth bass); and
20 prohibited and restricted freshwater and marine species
21 identified by rules of the Fish and Wildlife Conservation
22 Commission, ~~may be sold by an aquaculture producer certified~~
23 ~~pursuant to this section or by a dealer licensed pursuant to~~
24 ~~part VII of chapter 379~~ without restriction so long as the
25 product origin can be identified.
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 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2021.