
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE STATE FISH.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The humuhumunukunukuapua`a (Rhinecanthus
2 rectangulus), also known as the rectangular triggerfish, was
3 designated as the official fish of the State in 1985. However,
4 the enabling legislation was automatically repealed by operation
5 of law in 1990, five years after the date of approval. Many
6 among the general public, however, mistakenly assume that the
7 humuhumunukunukuapua`a is still the state fish. The legislature
8 finds that Hawaii does not currently have a fish designated as
9 the official fish of the State.

10 The purpose of this Act is to permanently establish the
11 humuhumunukunukuapua`a as the official fish of the State.

12 SECTION 2. Chapter 5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
13 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to
14 read as follows:

15 "§5- State fish. The humuhumunukunukuapua`a
16 (Rhinecanthus rectangulus), also known as the rectangular
17 triggerfish, is established and designated as the official fish
18 of the State."



- 1 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 2 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



HB1982, SD1

Report Title:

Emblems and Symbols; State Fish

Description:

Permanently establishes the humuhumunukunukuapua'a (Rhinecanthus rectangulus) as the official fish of the State. (SD1)

