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TO: All House Members

SUBJECT: Introduction of Legislation

FROM: Representative Mike Carroll

In the near future I plan on introducing legislation that will prohibit the sale and importation of crocodiles and alligators into the state.

In recent days there have been disturbing news reports of free roaming crocodiles and alligators. Even with the knowledge that any such reptile would succumb to the record cold temperatures, their presence is a reminder that there are now no effective prohibitions in place within the Fish Code (Title 30) to their sale, barter, or purchase.

My bill does not prohibit possession, thereby keeping current owners from simply releasing these reptiles to comply with what would be a new state regulation.

If you would like to join me in sponsoring this bill please contact my office at 787-3589 or <u>smutzaba@pahouse.net</u>.