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AND BOSCOLA, JANUARY 27, 1997

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES, JANUARY 27, 1997

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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 30 (Fish) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
2 Statutes, relating to Class A regulated fishing lakes.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. Section 3106(a) of Title 30 of the Pennsylvania  
6 Consolidated Statutes is amended to read:

7 § 3106. Classification of lakes.

8 (a) Class A.--[A lake that is wholly opened to the general  
9 public for fishing and is operated solely as a commercial  
10 venture may be issued a Class A regulated fishing lake license.  
11 A lake situated on a privately owned campground may be issued a  
12 Class A regulated fishing lake license provided the campground  
13 is open to the general public and operated as a commercial  
14 venture, regardless of whether the campground operator sells  
15 admission to the lake to members of the public who are not  
16 camping at the campground.] The commission may issue Class A  
17 regulated fishing lake licenses upon payment of the fee

1 specified in section 3102 (relating to fees) to lakes in the  
2 following categories:

3 (1) Lakes wholly opened to the general public for  
4 fishing and operated solely as commercial ventures.

5 (2) Lakes situated wholly within the grounds of a  
6 privately owned campground provided that the campground is  
7 open to the general public and operated as a commercial  
8 venture regardless of whether the campground operator sells  
9 admissions to fish at the lake to members of the public who  
10 are not camping at the campground.

11 (3) Lakes with a total water area of less than 20 acres  
12 situated wholly within the grounds of a private fishing and  
13 boating, rod and gun or sportsmen's club or organization when  
14 fishing in the lake is limited to members of the club or  
15 organization and the sponsoring club or organization operates  
16 a cooperative nursery recognized by the commission, provided  
17 that fish raised by the cooperative nursery shall be stocked  
18 in waters of this Commonwealth open for free public fishing  
19 and not in the regulated fishing lake licensed hereunder.

20 Persons patronizing a Class A regulated fishing lake may catch,  
21 kill and possess fish without regard to any size, season or  
22 possession limit and need not possess a Pennsylvania fishing  
23 license. All other provisions of this title are applicable.

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25 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.