

CHAPTER 248

H.B. No. 1812

AN ACT

relating to prohibiting the purchase and sale of snook, tarpon, and striped bass; creating an offense.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 66, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by adding Section 66.219 to read as follows:

*Sec. 66.219. PURCHASE AND SALE OF SNOOK, TARPON, AND STRIPED BASS. No person may buy or offer to buy, sell or offer to sell, possess for the purpose of sale, transport or ship for the purpose of sale, or barter or exchange snook, tarpon, or striped bass taken from the coastal water of this state.*

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 1987.

SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on April 23, 1987, by a non-record vote. Passed by the Senate on May 14, 1987, by a viva-voce vote.

Approved May 28, 1987.

Effective Sept. 1, 1987.