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Bonnet Carre' Update

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• **Preferred Motion:**
To exercise the Commission’s authority under Miss. Code Ann. 49-15-304 to make an exception and grant a variance to Title 22, Part 7, Chapter 8 (Recreational Bag, Possession and Size Limits) to modify the recreational daily bag limit for spotted seatrout to 10 per person per day to properly manage in accordance with the established SPR for recreational Spotted Seatrout due to the anticipated influx of Spotted Seatrout into the Mississippi Sound following the opening of the Bonnet Carre’ Spillway, and Chapter 9 (Commercial Size, Possession and Catch Limits) to establish a daily commercial catch limit for Spotted Seatrout at no more than 300 pounds per vessel per day to ensure the 1st period quota is not met within the first three months of the quota period due to the anticipated influx of Spotted Seatrout into the Mississippi Sound following the opening of the Bonnet Carre’ Spillway starting March 1, 2019.

• **Alternative Motion:**
To exercise the Commission’s authority under Miss. Code Ann 49-15-304 to make an exception and grant a variance to Title 22, Part 7, Chapter 8 (Recreational Bag, Possession and Size Limits) to establish a closure in the Western Sound for recreational catch of spotted seatrout to properly manage in accordance with the established SPR for recreational Spotted Seatrout due to the anticipated influx of Spotted Seatrout into the Mississippi Sound following the opening of the Bonnet Carre’ Spillway, and Chapter 9 (Commercial Size, Possession and Catch Limits) to establish a closure in the Western Sound for commercial catch of Spotted Seatrout to ensure the 1st period quota is not met within the first three months of the quota period due to the anticipated influx of Spotted Seatrout into the Mississippi Sound following the opening of the Bonnet Carre’ Spillway starting March 1, 2019.
Questions?