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To: Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks

## SENATE BILL NO. 2932

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 49-5-117, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, 2 TO REVISE EXCEPTION TO THE PROHIBITION ON IMPORTATION OF 3 ENDANGERED SPECIES INTO THE STATE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
SECTION 1. Section 49-5-117, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
amended as follows:

7 49-5-117. (a) None of the provisions of Sections 49-5-101 8 through 49-5-119 shall be construed to apply retroactively or to prohibit importation into the state of wildlife which may be 9 lawfully imported into the United States. \* \* \* This subsection 10 shall not be construed to permit the possession, transportation, 11 12 exportation, processing, sale or offer for sale or shipment within 13 this state of wildlife on the United States' List of Endangered Native Fish and Wildlife, as amended and accepted in accordance 14 15 with subsection (d) of Section 49-5-109, except as permitted \* \* \* by subsection (c) of Section 49-5-109 and subsection (d) of 16 Section 49-5-111. 17

(b) If any provision of Sections 49-5-101 through 49-5-119 or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of such sections, and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances, shall not be affected thereby.

23 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from 24 and after its passage.