To: Game and Fish By: McBride

## HOUSE BILL NO. 735

- AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 49-7-87, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO 1
- ALLOW GREEN SUNFISH TO BE SOLD AS BAIT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. 2
- BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 3
- 4 SECTION 1. Section 49-7-87, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
- amended as follows:[BD1] 5
- б 49-7-87. (1) It is unlawful for any person to sell, offer
- 7 for sale or exchange any game fish enumerated in this chapter
- whether taken within or coming from without the state. However,
- the commission may issue a permit to the owner of a private pond 9
- 10 to sell fish grown or cultivated by the owner under any
- 11 regulations \* \* \* the commission may prescribe.
- (2) Green sunfish less than four (4) inches in length may be 12
- 13 sold as bait. Green sunfish sold as bait may be taken by any
- method prescribed by the commission. The commission shall 14
- prescribe the methods that may be used for taking green sunfish as 15
- 16 <u>bait.</u>
- SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from 17
- 18 and after July 1, 2000.