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Overview

This bill contains policy provisions related to aquatic invasive species being recommended by the Department of Natural Resources.

Section

- 1 Bait harvest from infested waters.** Amends § 84D.03, subd. 3. Expands a provision allowing a person to harvest gizzard shad using a cast net in certain infested waters (currently allowed in certain areas of the Mississippi and St. Croix Rivers) to the Minnesota River downstream of Granite Falls and removes the sunset of the provision retroactively (it expired December 1, 2017).
- 2 Restrictions in infested and noninfested waters; commercial fishing and turtle, frog, and crayfish harvesting.** Amends § 84D.03, subd. 4. Modifies tagging requirements that apply to commercial fishing equipment (nets, traps, etc.) used in infested waters by expanding the requirement to waters listed for aquatic plants or aquatic macrophytes and modifying provisions allowing the tags to be removed if the equipment has been decontaminated according to certain protocols.
- 3 Cast nets for gizzard shad.** Amends § 97C.345, subd. 3a. Makes conforming changes to accommodate the expansion and sunset removal for the gizzard shad provision in section 1.