

Conservation Amendment Act 1998

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An Act to amend the Conservation Act 1987 [3 June 1998

BE IT ENACTED by the Parliament of New Zealand as follows:

1. Short Title--- This Act may be cited as the Conservation Amendment Act 1998, and is part of the Conservation Act 1987 ("the principal Act").

2. Effect of general policies, conservation management strategies, and management plans--- Section 17N of the principal Act is amended by repealing subsection (6), and substituting the following subsection:

"(6) Where any such strategy or plan or any review or amendment of any such strategy or plan is approved, the Fish and Game Council that prepared, reviewed, or amended the sports fish and game management plan, or the Director-General in the case of any other strategy or plan, must give public notice of the approval, specifying the offices or places at which the strategy or plan, or reviewed or amended strategy or plan, can be inspected; and section 49 (1) of this Act applies as if the notice were required to be given by the Minister."

3. Restrictions on fishing--- (1) Section 26ZL of the principal Act is amended by omitting from subsection (1) the words "by notice in the Gazette", and substituting the words "by a notice published on at least 2 consecutive Saturdays in 1 or more daily newspapers circulating in the area concerned".

(2) Section 26ZL of the principal Act is amended by inserting, after subsection (2), the following subsection:

"(2A) Every person commits an offence and is liable to a fine not exceeding \$5,000 who contravenes any prohibitions, restrictions, or conditions imposed by a notice given in accordance with subsection (1)."

4. Determination of closed seasons for fishing--- Section 26ZP of the principal Act is amended by omitting from subsection (1) the words "by notice in the Gazette", and substituting the words "by a notice published on at least 2 consecutive Saturdays in 1 or more daily newspapers circulating in the area concerned".

This Act is administered in the Department of Conservation.