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SUBJECT: Regulation filing

Amendments were filed on August 30, 2011. In summary, the changes are as follows:

**8/30/2011**

**PART III - MARINE FISHERIES COUNCIL**

3.2.1 - This action **CLOSES** the commercial fishery for the **porbeagle sharks** beginning 12:01 AM on August 31, 2011. This action also **CLOSES** the commercial fishery for **black sea bass** beginning 12:01 AM on September 2, 2011. This action **INCREASES** the commercial possession limit for **summer flounder** to 200 pounds per vessel per calendar day or 1,000 pounds per vessel per calendar week (if the vessel is permitted for the summer flounder aggregate program) beginning 12:01 AM on September 4, 2011. [This regulation becomes effective upon filing].

For a Summary of Changes to the RI Marine Fisheries Regulations, when posted, click here:  
<http://www.dem.ri.gov/pubs/regs/regs/fishwild/fishamnd.htm>

The regulations can be viewed in their entirety when posted at the DEM/DFW Marine Fisheries web site.

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