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SUBJECT: Regulation filing

Several amendments were filed on March 23, 2012. In summary, the changes are as follows:

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PART VII - MINIMUM SIZES OF FISH/SHELLFISH

7.7.4, 7.11.4, 7.14.2, 7.22.2-1(a) and 7.25 - These actions **AMEND** the recreational management plans for **summer flounder**, **scup**, and **black sea bass**. These actions also **ADOPT** commercial and recreational regulations for the **skate** fishery, and make a technical revision to modify Section 7.22.2-1(b) in order to change "this section" to read as part of Section 7.22.2-1(a). [These regulations become effective on April 12, 2012].

PART XII - STRIPED BASS

12.3 and 12.5 - This action **AMENDS** the commercial management plan for **striped bass** in the general category sector, and makes a technical revision to section 12.5. [These regulations become effective on April 12, 2012].

The regulations can be viewed in their entirety when posted at the following web address:
<http://www.dem.ri.gov/pubs/regs/regs/fishwild/rimftoc.htm>

As well, the Director's decision memo on these actions can be viewed at the following web address:
<http://www.dem.ri.gov/programs/bnatres/fishwild/dirdecsn.htm>