

## CONCISE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, Section §42-35-2.6 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, following is a concise explanatory statement for the below identified regulation, which was subject to a public hearing on September 10, 2018.

**AGENCY:** Department of Environmental Management

**DIVISION:** Marine Fisheries

**RULE IDENTIFIER:** 250-RICR-90-00-3

**RULE TITLE:** PART 3 – Finfish

**REASON FOR RULEMAKING:** See summary provided at the time of noticing.

**REASONS FOR NOT ACCEPTING ARGUMENTS MADE IN TESTIMONY AND PUBLIC COMMENTS):** The Director’s Decision memo dated March 10, 2020, provides the reasons/explanation as to the rationale for the final rule that was adopted. This memo was uploaded to the Sec. of State webpage as additional supporting documentation at the time of filing the final rule.

**CHANGE TO TEXT FROM PROPOSED TO FINAL RULE (identify any changes between the text of the rule as proposed and the text of the final rule and explain why these changes were made to the final text):** The Director’s Decision memo dated March 10, 2020, provides the reasons/explanation as to the rationale for the final rule that was adopted, which explains why changes were made to the final text. This memo was uploaded to the Sec. of State webpage as additional supporting documentation at the time of filing the final rule. Also uploaded to the Sec. of State webpage as additional supporting documentation at the time of filing the final rule was the final annotated rule showing all final changes and differences between the noticed and final rule.

**REGULATORY ANALYSIS:** In the development of the proposed amendment consideration was given to: (1) alternative approaches; (2) overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and (3) significant economic impact on small business. No alternative approach, duplication, or overlap was identified based upon available information.