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1	HOUSE BILL NO. 411
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6	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF RIVER-USE DAYS TO THE
7	PURCHASER NEW OWNER OF A FISHING OUTFITTER BUSINESS; AMENDING SECTION 37-47-310, MCA;
8	AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."
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10	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
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12	Section 1. Section 37-47-310, MCA, is amended to read:
13	"37-47-310. Transfer or amendment of outfitter's license <u> transfer of river-use days to purchaser</u>
14	NEW OWNER of fishing outfitter business. (1) An outfitter's license may not be transferred during any license
15	year.
16	(2) An individual person may, upon proper showing, have that person's outfitter's license amended to
17	indicate that the license is being held for the use and benefit of a named proprietorship, partnership, or
18	corporation.
19	(3) Subject to approval by the board, an immediate member of the family of a deceased licensed
20	outfitter may continue to outfit for the deceased outfitter's unexpired license year or until the heirs or personal
21	representative of the estate sells the outfitting business or obtains relicensure of the business.
22	(4) (A) When a fishing outfitter's business is sold OR TRANSFERRED IN ITS ENTIRETY, any river-use days
23	that have been allocated to that fishing outfitter through the fishing outfitter's historic use of or activities on
24	restricted-use streams are transferrable to the purchaser NEW OWNER of the fishing outfitter's business. UPON
25	THE SALE OR TRANSFER OF A FISHING OUTFITTER'S BUSINESS, THE OUTFITTER WHO SELLS OR TRANSFERS THE BUSINESS
26	SHALL NOTIFY THE NEW OWNER THAT THE USE OF ANY TRANSFERRED RIVER-USE DAYS IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE PURSUANT
27	TO RULES ADOPTED BY THE FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS COMMISSION AND THAT NO PROPERTY RIGHT ATTACHES TO THE
28	TRANSFERRED RIVER-USE DAYS.
29	(B) IF THE FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS COMMISSION IMPLEMENTS A SYSTEM OF PUBLIC ALLOCATION OF RIVER-USE
30	DAYS ON A RESTRICTED-USE STREAM, ANY RIVER-USE DAYS ALLOCATED TO A FISHING OUTFITTER THROUGH THE FISHING

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1 <u>OUTFITTER'S HISTORIC USE OF OR ACTIVITIES ON THE RESTRICTED-USE STREAM MUST BE REALLOCATED TO PUBLIC USE.</u>"

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3 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Section 2. Effective date.** [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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