HOUSE BILL NO. 264

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING A LICENSED ANGLER FISHING FROM A BOAT <u>OR</u> <u>THE SHORE IN A LAKE OR RESERVOIR</u> TO FISH BY HOOK AND TWO LINES OR TWO RODS; AMENDING SECTION 87-2-120, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 87-2-120, MCA, is amended to read:

"87-2-120. Lawful means of angling or fishing. (1) The Except as provided in subsection (2), the only lawful means of angling or fishing is by hook and single line or single rod, in hand or within immediate control. All other methods of angling or fishing, unless authorized by commission rule <u>or authorized in subsection (2)</u>, are unlawful.

(2) A licensed angler fishing from a boat OR THE SHORE IN A LAKE OR RESERVOIR may fish by hook and two lines or two rods, in hand or within immediate control, IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULES THAT THE COMMISSION SHALL ADOPT."

NEW SECTION. Section 2. Effective date. [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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