

**482.8 Baits.**

1. It is lawful for licensed commercial fishers, commercial turtle harvesters, and commercial roe harvesters to pursue, take, possess, and transport any commercial fish or their parts, bait fish, turtles, frogs, salamanders, leeches, crayfish, or any other aquatic invertebrates for bait unless otherwise prohibited by law.

2. It is lawful to use any member of the following families as bait fish in boundary waters: Cyprinidae, the minnows; Catostomidae, the suckers; Umbridae, the mudminnows; Clupeidae, the herrings; Hiodontidae, the mooneyes; Amiidae, the bowfin unless otherwise prohibited by law.

3. It is lawful to use green sunfish, *Lepomis cyanellus*, and orange-spotted sunfish, *Lepomis humilis*, for bait fish.

4. It is lawful to use minnow seines for taking bait in the boundary waters. Minnow seines may not exceed fifty feet in length and eight feet in depth.

86 Acts, ch 1141, §8

C87, §109B.8

C93, §482.8

2009 Acts, ch 144, §26

Referred to in [§805.8B](#)

For applicable scheduled fines, see §805.8B, subsection 3, paragraph d