

**481A.12 Seizure of wildlife taken or handled illegally.**

The director or any peace officer shall seize with or without warrant and take possession of, or direct the disposal of, any fish, furs, birds, animals, mussels, clams, or frogs, which have been caught, taken, or killed at a time, in a manner, or for a purpose, or had in possession or under control, or offered for shipment, or illegally transported in the state or to a point beyond its borders, contrary to the Code. All fish, furs, birds, animals, mussels, clams, or frogs seized under [this section](#) shall be relinquished to a representative of the commission, disposed of, or kept as provided in [section 481A.13](#).

[SS15, §2539; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §1714; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §109.12]

[88 Acts, ch 1216, §3](#)

C93, §481A.12

[94 Acts, ch 1148, §1](#); [2018 Acts, ch 1150, §2](#)

Referred to in [§331.653](#), [481A.11](#), [481A.13A](#), [483A.33](#), [716.8](#)