MUST NOTIFY LDWF AND OBTAIN PERMISSION BEFORE PRIVATELY STOCKING STATE WATERS

RS=Louisiana Revised Statute 'Director' = Director of Louisiana WLF Commission 'Secretary' = Secretary of WLF

RS: 56§20. **Releasing** game, fowl, or **fish**; permission; intrastate restocking; violations A. **No pen-raised** or wild animal, fowl, or **fish of any species from without the state shall be liberated within the state except upon written permission of the secretary**. No pen-raised turkey or pheasant from within or without the state shall be liberated within the state except upon written permission of the secretary.

B. No wild animal or fowl of any species shall be transported for restocking purposes from a site within the state to any other site within the state except in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the commission.

C. Violations of the provisions of this Section shall constitute a class four violation, as provided in R.S. 56:34.

RS: 56§21. Stocking waters with fish

Upon the petition of the governing authority of a parish, the director may stock the waters of any stream, bayou, lagoon, lake, or river with fish judged to be the best suited to such waters. He may thereupon prescribe and enforce for a period not exceeding three years such reasonable regulations relative to the fishing in such streams and tributaries as he deems to be in the public interest.

§19. Exchange of fish hatched at fish hatcheries for fish roe or fish eggs

The director may purchase fish roe or fish eggs and give in exchange or in consideration therefor a percent of the young fish hatched or produced at any of the state fish hatcheries. The placing of such young fish in waters on the land of such persons shall not be deemed a stocking of such waters with fish by the state.

§17. Taking fish for purpose of science and cultivation; permits; propagation of fish The director may take fish of any kind in any manner or place for the purpose of science and of cultivation and distribution and may grant written permits to other persons for the same purpose. He may introduce or permit to be introduced any kind of fish into any waters. He may, after a hearing, set apart for a term not exceeding ten years any waters in the state for the purpose of propagation or for the use of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service. The order setting apart such waters shall be recorded in the conveyance office of the parish in which they are situated. He may erect and maintain such fixtures as are necessary for the purpose of propagation and maintenance.