## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## WENTYCKY CENERAL ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT FORM MINISTER OF THE CONTRACT OF THE CONTR

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On page 63, after line 12, insert the following:

- "→Section 15. (1) The General Assembly hereby finds that:
- (a) Well-stocked lakes and streams have a positive effect on tourism, with anglers coming to fish the waterways throughout the Commonwealth; and
- (b) Studies have shown that F1 Tiger bass fish have the potential to grow faster and reach larger sizes than pure Northern strain fish, Florida strain fish, or other crosses beyond the first generation.
- (2) The General Assembly hereby directs the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources to establish a five-year pilot program to evaluate the growth rates of F1 Tiger bass fish.
  - (3) The Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources shall:
- (a) Stock Paintsville Lake, located in Magoffin County, Morgan County, and Johnson County, with 5,000 four-inch fingerlings by January 1, 2025, and by January 1 of each of the four years thereafter;
- (b) Submit semiannual reports of the findings of the pilot program to the Legislative Research Commission for referral to the Interim Joint Committee on Natural Resources and Energy; and
  - (c) Submit a final report at the conclusion of the five-year pilot program, evaluating

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overall growth rates and the success of stocking such fish."; and Renumber the subsequent section accordingly.