

Dear Sirs,

I read with interest your comments reference catch limits in tonight's JEP. I am very surprised and disappointed that you are not in any way identifying with the real issues that we are facing. Surely you need to identify the issue and then come up with something that resolves this problem not just tinkers with the minor issue of what leisure anglers take home. Come on chaps do you really think leisure fisherman would be able to catch more than five bass in a day. No chance!

I do somewhat get the impression that whomever is recommending these measures is somehow trying to implement some sort of job or role for themselves. Lobsters and Ormers and or bass need to have minimum size increases and that I am sure every commercial fisherman will agree. If you take North America as an example where wide mouthed bass were having the same issue as in Jersey. Minimum size was increased, not just formulated to fit a plate, thus allowing for a breeding season and now the problem no more. What about stopping netters as another option? Whatever it is you implement you have to implement something on Commercial how matter how politically unsavory that may appeal. Anyway whom is on this committee maybe persons with links to Commercial looking at this poor recommendation?

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And yes I have a Commercial license!!