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The practice of replacing already caught fish in a live well with newly caught, presumably larger fish is known as culling. By culling, a fisherman who has reached his or her daily bag limit may continue to fish, and improve the quality of his or her bag. Culling is not legal in Wisconsin. It is legal in most other states.

National bass fishing organizations have indicated that they would like to schedule bass tournaments in Wisconsin. However, they cannot because of their policies not to hold tournaments at locations where culling is not allowed.

Do you support changing the current rules to allow culling for largemouth and smallmouth bass only, and only in DNR licensed or permitted bass tournaments, and only if tournament fishermen are required to utilize modern live well equipment in their boats?

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