catches to the proposed allowance are shown in green. Options left white indicate combinations of MLS and bag limits that are considered unlikely to constrain catch to the proposed allowance. Estimates of harvest do not include charter vessel catch or catch taken under section 111 of the Act.

Table 8.1: Recreational allowance of 2 550 tonnes. MLS and bag limits that will constrain

MLS	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
27							
30							
33							
35							

To constrain recreational catch to an allowance of 2550 tonnes, the Minister could chose to retain a bag limit of nine but increase the minimum legal size from 27 cm to 35 cm.

This will further increase the difference between the commercial and recreational MLS. Using only the daily bag limit as a means of constraining catch to around the allowance would require the bag limit to be reduced to three fish.