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**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2015 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Natural Resources to Reengrossed House Bill No. 668 by Representative Hill

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1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "To" insert "enact R.S. 56:492.1 and to"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 1, line 3, delete "and" and insert a comma

5 AMENDMENT NO. 3

6 On page 1, line 4, after "amended," insert "and R.S. 56:57.4,"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 4

8 On page 1, line 5, delete "turtle"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 5

10 On page 1, line 9, after "cameras;" insert "to authorize the Wildlife and Fisheries  
11 Commission to promulgate rules relative to the use of excluder devices;"

12 AMENDMENT NO. 6

13 On page 1, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

14 "Section 1. R.S. 56:492.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

15 §492.1. Excluder devices

16 The commission may promulgate rules and regulations in accordance with  
17 the Administrative Procedure Act relative to the use, possession, and configuration  
18 of devices designed to exclude the take of certain fish and other aquatic life from  
19 fishing gear within the territorial waters of the state and in the federal exclusive  
20 economic zone."

21 AMENDMENT NO. 7

22 On page 1, line 12, change "Section 1." to "Section 2."

23 AMENDMENT NO. 8

24 On page 1, delete lines 15 through 18 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:

25 "Section 3. R.S. 56:57.4 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

26 Section 4. During the time period from June 1, 2016 through  
27 December 31, 2018, at all times while enforcing turtle excluder device  
28 requirements, a wildlife agent shall wear an electronic device capable of  
29 recording video and audio data or capable of transmitting video and audio  
30 data to be recorded remotely. In the event that the electronic device is  
31 broken, malfunctioning, powered off, absent, or otherwise unavailable, this  
32 Section shall not act as a defense to a violation of law nor shall it prohibit a  
33 wildlife agent from making a case, a district attorney or federal prosecutor  
34 from prosecuting a violation, or a court from considering all applicable  
35 evidence when adjudicating such an offense."

1 AMENDMENT NO. 9

2 On page 1, line 19, change "Section 3." to "Section 5."

3 AMENDMENT NO. 10

4 On page 1, line 22, change "the" to "proposed"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 11

6 On page 2, delete lines 1 through 4