

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 886

BY REPRESENTATIVE ORGERON

FISHING/COMMERCIAL: Provides for reporting and data collection for commercial menhaden fishing

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 56:325.5(D), relative to commercial menhaden harvest data reporting; to  
3 provide an exception to confidentiality for reports received by a legislative  
4 committee; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 56:325.5(D) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §325.5. Commercial menhaden harvest reporting

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9 D. Notwithstanding Paragraph (A)(3) of this Section or R.S. 56:301.4, any  
10 report received by a legislative committee pursuant to the requirement in Subsection  
11 B of this Section shall not be considered confidential.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides an exception to confidentiality for reports received by a legislative committee.

Present law requires the commission to promulgate rules and regulations that require companies taking menhaden by vessels equipped with purse seines for the purpose of reduction fishing to submit monthly reports that include location data, estimated volume of harvest, the size of the menhaden, the form for reporting, and procedures to preserve the confidentiality of the data in compliance with federal procedures.

Proposed law provides an exception to confidentiality requirements for reports received by a legislative committee pursuant to present law.

(Adds R.S. 56:325.5(D))