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2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 423

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BY REPRESENTATIVE BISHOP

FISHING: Includes reptile and amphibian wholesale/retail dealers in the trip ticket program

AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 56:637(B) and (E), relative to reptiles and amphibians; to 3 provide for records required for the transfer or sale of reptiles and amphibians; to 4 provide for the completion and return of commercial receipt forms; and to provide 5 for related matters. 6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 7 Section 1. R.S. 56:637(B) and (E) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as 8 follows: 9 §637. Records 10 11 B. Such records Records required by this Section shall be maintained for 12 three years and shall be open to inspection by the department. 13 14 E. Any wholesale/retail dealer who purchases reptiles or amphibians shall 15 give one part of a three-part receipt form to the collector at the time of the sale, shall 16 retain one part, and shall submit one part shall be submitted to the secretary of the 17 department complete a commercial receipt form and return all commercial receipt 18 forms to the department in the same manner as provided in R.S. 56:306.5(B) and 19 306.6.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires wholesale/retail dealers that purchase reptiles or amphibians to complete a commercial receipt form and submit all commercial receipt forms to the department.

<u>Present law</u> requires wholesale/retail seafood dealers purchasing or acquiring seafood complete a commercial receipt form that requires the following information: wholesale/retail seafood dealer's name and license number, commercial fisherman's name, license number and signature, transaction date, species identification, quantity and units of each species, size and condition of each species, unit price of each species, and permit number for species requiring a permit to harvest.

<u>Present law</u> requires wholesale/retail seafood dealers return all commercial receipt forms to the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries on or before the 10th of each month. <u>Present law</u> authorizes the promulgation of rules prescribing the confidentiality of the data submitted and requires the ability to submit the data electronically.

<u>Present law</u> does not require a licensed wholesale/retail seafood dealer to obtain a license required by <u>present law</u> on reptiles and amphibians, but does require their compliance with rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to present law.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires any wholesale/retail dealer who purchases reptiles or amphibians to complete a commercial receipt form and return all commercial receipt forms to the department in the same manner as provided in <u>present law</u>.

(Amends R.S. 56:637(B) and (E))