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Garofalo

Abstract: Adds the exemption for purchases of fishing vessels, supplies, fuels, lubricants, and repairs of vessels by licensed commercial fishermen to the list of state sales and use tax exemptions to be given effect beginning July 1, 2016.

<u>Present law</u> establishes a state sales and use tax exemption for purchases of fishing vessels, supplies, fuels, lubricants, and repairs of vessels by licensed commercial fishermen.

<u>Present law</u> suspends numerous exemptions and exclusions from the state sales and use tax (R.S. 47:302, 321, 321.1, and 331) for two periods of time occurring between April 1, 2016, and June 30, 2018, inclusive of the exemption for commercial fishermen.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the suspension of this exemption for purposes of two of the tax levies, R.S. 47:321 and 331, expires June 30, 2016. The suspension with respect to the other two tax levies, R.S. 47:302 and 321.1 remains effective through June 30, 2018.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes <u>present law</u> by adding the exemption for purchases of fishing vessels, supplies, fuels, lubricants, and repairs of vessels by licensed commercial fishermen to the list of state sales and use tax exemptions to the remaining two tax levies to be given effect beginning July 1, 2016.

Effective July 1, 2016.

(Amends R.S. 47:302(V)(intro. para.) as enacted by Act No. 25 of the 2016 1st E.S; Adds R.S. 47:302(AA) and 321.1(F)(66))