

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 691

BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA

WILDLIFE/FEES: Provides relative to fee increases for the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 34:851.2(7) through (13), 851.19, 851.20(A)(1) and (F),

3 851.32(A), R.S. 56:8(16)(a)(ii) and (b)(i), 10(B)(1)(a)(i), (b), (e), (f), (g), (7)(a), (9),

4 and (10), and (D), 10.1(B) and (C), 103(A), (B), and (C), 109(D), 116(C)(1) and

5 (D), 116.1(C)(3), the heading of Subpart A-1 of Part IV of Chapter 1 of Title 56 of

6 the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, 151, 171(A), 172(B), 251(A)(1) and (3)

7 through (6), 253(C)(1), 258, 262(A), (B), and (D), 263(A), 302, 302.1(Section

8 heading) and (A) through (C), 302.9(A)(1), (C), and (F), 302.9.1(A), (B), and (E),

9 302.10(B)(1) through (3) and (C), 303(B), (D)(1), and (F), 303.1.1(B), (C), and (E),

10 303.6(A) and (B), 304(B) and (C), 304.1(B), 305(B) and (C)(1), 305.1(B) and (C),

11 306(B)(6)(c), 306.1(B)(7)(b) and (c), 306.2(A) and (B), 306.3(B), 307.1(A),

12 322.1(A), 322.2(A), 325.1(A)(1), (3)(a), and (C)(2)(d), 325.3(A)(1) and (C),

13 326(E)(2) and (H), 330(B), 412(A)(2) and (5), 433.1(Section Heading) and (A)(1),

14 442(B), 449(B), 492, 494(E)(5) and (F), 500(A), 501(B)(2), 632.4(A)(1) through (3),

15 632.5(A) and (E), 632.9(B)(1), 641, 649.1, 649.2, 649.3, 649.4, 649.7,

16 653(A)(introductory paragraph), and 1833, to enact R.S. 34:851.2(14), and

17 851.21(B)(5), R.S. 56:8(16)(a)(v), 10(B)(4) and (7)(c), 10.3, 102, 112(C), 302.1(D),

18 303(G), 411(B)(4) through (6), 645, 678, 679, and Chapter 14 of Title 56 of the

19 Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, consisting of R.S. 56:3000 through 3007, and

20 to repeal R.S. 34:851.20(N), R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(d), (6)(b)(i), (ii), (c), and (13), 103(B)

1 and (F), 104(A) and (B), 105, 155(B)(1) through (4), (C)(1) and (2), 164(B), 165,
 2 301.2(A)(4), 302.2(B) and (D), 302.3(D), 302.5, 302.9.1(D), 305(C)(3) and (G),
 3 641.1, and 643(B)(1) and (C), and 650 relative to licenses to hunt and fish; to
 4 restructure the recreational hunting and fishing licensing system for the Department
 5 of Wildlife and Fisheries; to provide relative to the cost of hunting and fishing
 6 licenses; to dedicate revenues from the sale of hunting and fishing licenses; to
 7 provide for definitions; to provide for registration requirements for paddle crafts; to
 8 create the Shrimp Development and Management Account, Crab Development,
 9 Management and Derelict Crab Trap Removal Account, Oyster Resource
 10 Management Account, Crawfish Development and Management Account, Louisiana
 11 Duck License, Stamp, and Print Fund, Louisiana Wild Turkey Fund, Lifetime
 12 License Endowment Trust Fund and the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Foundation
 13 Escrow Account; to provide for hunting reciprocity; and to provide for related
 14 matters.

15 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

16 Section 1. R.S. 34:851.2(7) through (13), 851.19, 851.20(A)(1) and (F), and
 17 851.32(A) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 34:851.2(14) and 851.21(B)(5) are
 18 hereby enacted to read as follows:

19 §851.2. Definitions

20 As used in this Part unless the context requires a different meaning:

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22 (7) "Paddle craft" means any type of canoe, kayak, paddleboard, pirogue, or
 23 other vessel powered only by its occupant using a single or double-bladed paddle as
 24 a lever without the aid of a fulcrum provided by oarlocks, tholepins, crutches, or
 25 similar mechanisms.

26 ~~(7)~~(8) "Person" means an individual, partnership, firm, corporation,
 27 association, or other entity.

28 ~~(8)~~(9) "Prohibited zone" means an area paralleling each side of the entire
 29 length of the Lake Pontchartrain Causeway Bridge and extending outward for a

1 distance of one mile from both the most easterly and westerly outboard sides of the
2 causeway bridge twin spans.

3 ~~(9)~~(10) "Sailboat" means any watercraft propelled by sail or canvas. For the
4 purpose of this Part, any watercraft propelled by both sail or canvas and machinery
5 of any sort shall be deemed a motorboat when being so propelled.

6 ~~(10)~~(11) "Secretary" means the secretary of the Department of Wildlife and
7 Fisheries.

8 ~~(11)~~(12) "Vessel" means watercraft and air boats of every description, other
9 than a seaplane on the water, used or capable of being used as a means of
10 transportation on water.

11 ~~(12)~~(13) "Watercraft" means any contrivance used or designated for
12 navigation on water.

13 ~~(13)~~(14) "Waters of the state" means any waters within the territorial limits
14 of this state and the marginal sea adjacent to this state and the high seas when
15 navigated as a part of a journey or ride to or from the shore of this state.

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17 §851.19. Operation of unnumbered motorboats, houseboats, or sailboats prohibited;
18 exception

19 Every motorboat, houseboat, paddle craft, or sailboat operated on the waters
20 of this state shall be numbered. No person shall operate or give permission for the
21 operation of any motorboat, houseboat, or sailboat on such waters unless the
22 motorboat, houseboat, paddle craft, or sailboat is numbered in accordance with this
23 Part or in accordance with applicable federal law or in accordance with a federally
24 approved numbering system of another state, and unless the certificate of number
25 awarded to the motorboat, paddle craft, houseboat, or sailboat is in full force and
26 effect, and the identifying number set forth in the certificate of number is displayed
27 on each side of the bow of the motorboat, houseboat, paddle craft, or sailboat as
28 provided by the rules promulgated by the commission consistent with in this Part.

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1 §851.20. Identification number

2 A.(1) The owner of each motorboat, houseboat, or sailboat requiring
3 numbering by this state shall file an application for a number with the Department
4 of Wildlife and Fisheries on forms approved by the department. The application
5 shall be signed by the owner of the motorboat, houseboat, or sailboat and shall be
6 accompanied by the appropriate fee as follows:

7 (a) For ~~a boat that is fourteen feet or less~~ Class A vessels measuring less than
8 sixteen feet in length, the fee shall be ~~twenty~~ thirty-six dollars and shall be valid for
9 three years.

10 (b) For ~~a boat that is more than fourteen feet and less than eighteen feet in~~
11 ~~length,~~ Class 1 vessels measuring sixteen feet or more and less than twenty-six feet
12 in length the fee shall be ~~twenty-five~~ fifty-seven dollars and shall be valid for three
13 years.

14 (c) For ~~a boat that is eighteen feet in length or greater,~~ Class 2 vessels
15 measuring twenty-six feet or more and less than forty feet in length the fee shall be
16 thirty dollars plus an additional two dollars for each foot or portion of a foot in
17 length greater than eighteen feet ~~seventy-eight~~ seventy-eight dollars and shall be valid for a period
18 of three years.

19 (d) ~~Beginning January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2023, inclusive of both~~
20 ~~dates, in addition to the fee otherwise required by this Paragraph, a fee of nine~~
21 ~~dollars shall accompany any application or renewal for numbering a motorboat or~~
22 ~~sailboat.~~ Class 3 vessels measuring forty feet in length or greater shall be ninety-nine
23 dollars and valid for a period of three years.

24 (e) For any paddle craft, the fee shall be fifteen dollars and valid for as long
25 as the registered owner owns the vessel.

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27 F. Every certificate of number awarded pursuant to this Part, except those
28 issued for paddle craft, shall continue in full force and effect for a period of three
29 years unless sooner terminated or discontinued in accordance with the provisions of

1 this Part. Certificates of number may be renewed within sixty days preceding or
 2 thirty days following the expiration date by the owner in the same manner provided
 3 for in the initial securing of the same for a three-year period by marking the
 4 application form "Renewal". The renewal fee shall be the same fee as the initial
 5 registration fee. The fee to reinstate an expired certificate of number shall be the
 6 same fee as the initial registration fee. Certificates of number may be renewed or
 7 reinstated through electronic means as permitted by the Department of Wildlife and
 8 Fisheries.

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10 §851.21. Numbering system

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14 (5) The commission is authorized to establish a system for numbering or
 15 identifying paddle craft.

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17 §851.32. Disposition of funds

18 A.~~(1)~~ Funds accruing to the state of Louisiana from registration fees paid by
 19 owners of motorboats, paddle craft, and sailboats shall be paid into the state treasury
 20 and shall be credited to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund. Out of the funds
 21 remaining in the Bond Security and Redemption Fund, after a sufficient amount is
 22 allocated from that fund to pay all obligations secured by the full faith and credit of
 23 the state which become due and payable within any fiscal year, the treasurer shall,
 24 prior to placing such remaining funds in the State General Fund, pay into the
 25 Conservation Fund of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission Aquatic
 26 Plant Control Fund an amount equal to the total amount, ~~less the amounts provided~~
 27 ~~in Paragraph (2) of this Subsection~~, of the sums recovered as fees for motorboat,
 28 paddle craft, and sailboat registrations in R.S. 34:851.20 and 851.23 ~~for the purpose~~

1 of administering and enforcing the provisions of this Part or for such other purposes
2 as may be determined by said commission.

3 (2) ~~The treasurer shall pay an amount equal to nine dollars of every fee~~
4 ~~collected for registering a motorboat and sailboat pursuant to R.S.~~
5 ~~34:851.20(A)(1)(d) into the Aquatic Plant Control Fund created by R.S. 56:10.1.~~

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7 Section 2. R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(a)(i), (b), (e), and (D), 10.1(B) and (C), 171(A), 172(B),
8 251(A)(1) and (3) through (6), 253(C)(1), 258, 262(A), (B), and (D), 263(A), 302.9(A)(1),
9 (C), and (F), 302.9.1(A), (B), and (E), 303(B), (D)(1), and (F), 303.1.1(B), (C), and (E),
10 303.6(A) and (B), 304(B) and (C), 304.1(B), 305(B) and (C)(1), 305.1(B) and (C),
11 306(B)(6)(c), 306.1(B)(7)(b) and (c), 306.2(A) and (B), 306.3(B), 307.1(A), 322.1(A),
12 322.2(A), 325.3(C), 326(E)(2) and (H), 412(A)(2) and (5), 433.1(Section Heading) and
13 (A)(1), 442(B), 449(B), 492, 494(E)(5) and (F), 501(B)(2), 632.4(A)(1) through (3),
14 632.5(A) and (E), 632.9(B)(1), and 653(A)(introductory paragraph) are hereby amended and
15 reenacted and R.S. 56:10(B)(4), 102, 112(C), 303(G), and 411(B)(4) through (6) are hereby
16 enacted to read as follows:

17 §10. Annual report to governor; estimate of proposed expenditures; particular funds;
18 limitations on purposes for use of monies in particular funds; warrants;
19 vouchers; surplus funds

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21 B.(1)

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23 (a)(i) Pay annually into a special fund created in the state treasury and
24 designated as the Seafood Promotion and Marketing Fund an amount equal to the
25 total of thirty dollars per resident commercial fisherman's license fee. ~~five dollars per~~
26 ~~license fee and gear fee per annum paid into the treasury by the commission derived~~
27 ~~from the increase in each of the commercial fisheries license fees imposed by Acts~~
28 ~~1984, No. 230 or derived from the fee or fees imposed on any commercial fisheries~~
29 ~~license established on or after January 1, 1984. This includes five dollars per~~

1 commercial fisherman's license fee, gear fee, wholesale/retail dealer's license fee,
2 vessel license fee, and transport license fee pursuant to Part VI of Chapter 1 of Title
3 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950.

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5 (b) Pay annually into a special fund created in the state treasury and
6 designated as the "~~Shrimp Marketing and Promotion Fund~~ Development and
7 Management Account" an amount equal to the fees collected pursuant to R.S.
8 56:305(~~G~~)(B)(1), (11), (17) and (C)(1) and paid into the treasury by the commission.
9 All expenditures and allocation of monies from this fund shall be administered by
10 the department in consultation with the Louisiana Shrimp Task Force, ~~to be used for~~
11 ~~the development of markets for shrimp and creation of marketing strategies for the~~
12 ~~development and market expansion for shrimp harvested from Louisiana waters~~ The
13 Shrimp Development and Management Account is intended to defray the cost of the
14 shrimp program within the department and support the functions of the Shrimp Task
15 Force, specifically to assist in funding salaries and financial support including
16 associated indirect costs for employees in the shrimp program, the management of
17 the shrimp population, law enforcement activities associated with shrimp industry,
18 research on all aspects involved with the shrimp resource and industry, marketing
19 programs recommended by the Shrimp Task Force, and authorized activities of the
20 Shrimp Task Force. The task force may contract with the Louisiana Seafood
21 Promotion and Marketing Board to promote the Louisiana shrimp industry.

22 * * *

23 (e) Pay annually into a special fund created in the state treasury and
24 designated as the "~~Crab Promotion and Marketing Fund~~ Development, Management,
25 and Derelict Crab Trap Removal Account" an amount equal to the fees specified for
26 deposit in R.S. 56:305(B)(2) and (C)(1), 306(B)(6), and 306.1(B)(7). All
27 expenditures and allocations of monies from this ~~fund~~ account shall be administered
28 by the department in consultation with the Crab Task Force. The Crab Development,
29 Management, and Derelict Crab Trap Removal Account is intended to defray the

1 cost of the crab program within the department and support the functions of the Crab
 2 Task Force, specifically to assist in funding salaries and financial support including
 3 associated indirect costs for employees in the crab program, the management of the
 4 crab population, law enforcement activities associated with crab industry, research
 5 on all aspects involved with the crab resource and industry, administration and
 6 implementation of the Derelict Crab Trap Removal Program, marketing programs
 7 recommended by the Crab Task Force, and authorized activities of the Crab Task
 8 Force. The task force may contract with the Louisiana Seafood Promotion and
 9 Marketing Board to promote the Louisiana crab industry.

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11 (4)(a) There is hereby created within the Conservation Fund a special account
 12 designated as the "Oyster Resource Management Account" which shall consist of
 13 those revenues collected from the sale of commercial oyster gear licenses pursuant
 14 to R.S. 56:305(B)(3) and (8) and (C)(1), the sale of oyster cargo vessel permits
 15 pursuant to R.S. 56:422, all revenues received from the payment of lease rentals
 16 pursuant to R.S. 56:428, and the fees collected from the sale of public oyster seed
 17 ground vessel permits and associated gear fees pursuant to R.S. 56:433.1.

18 (b) The secretary is authorized to assess, invoice, demand, accept, and receive
 19 funds or materials as compensation for damages or impacts associated with activities
 20 occurring on or over the public oyster seed grounds, seed reservations, and tonging
 21 areas.

22 (c) The revenues shall be subject to the same requirements as provided for
 23 other revenues placed in the Conservation Fund in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection.

24 (d) All expenditures and allocation of monies from this fund shall be
 25 administered by the department. The Oyster Resource Management Account is
 26 intended to defray the cost of the oyster program within the department, specifically
 27 to assist in funding salaries and financial support including associated indirect costs
 28 for employees in the oyster program, the management of the oyster population, law
 29 enforcement activities associated with oyster industry, research on all aspects

1 involved with the oyster resource and industry, enhancement of the state's public
2 oyster seed grounds, research into propagation and habitat, oyster hatchery
3 operations, and the administrative functions of the oyster lease and survey section
4 of the department.

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6 D. All unexpended and unencumbered monies in the ~~Louisiana Seafood~~
7 ~~Promotion and Marketing Fund, the Oyster Development Fund, the Shrimp~~
8 ~~Marketing and Promotion Fund, the Crab Promotion and Marketing Fund, the~~
9 ~~Louisiana Duck License, Stamp, and Print Fund, the Louisiana Wild Turkey Fund,~~
10 ~~and the Conservation Fund~~ funds or accounts established in this Section at the end
11 of the fiscal year shall remain in the respective funds. The monies in the funds shall
12 be invested by the treasurer in the same manner as monies in the state general fund.
13 All interest earned on monies invested by the treasurer shall be deposited in the
14 respective funds. The state treasurer shall prepare and submit to the department on
15 a quarterly basis a printed report showing the amount of money contained in the
16 funds from all sources.

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18 §10.1. Aquatic Plant Control Fund; creation; uses

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20 B. After compliance with the requirements of Article VII, Section 9(B) of
21 the Constitution of Louisiana relative to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund,
22 and after a sufficient amount is allocated from that fund to pay all of the obligations
23 secured by the full faith and credit of the state which become due and payable within
24 any fiscal year, the treasurer shall pay into the Aquatic Plant Control Fund an amount
25 equal to the monies received by the state treasury pursuant to the provisions of ~~R.S.~~
26 ~~47:462(B)(2)(c)~~ R.S. 34:851.20(A)(1) and 851.23 and R.S. 47:462(B)(2)(c) and R.S.
27 30:961(K). If revenue credited to the Aquatic Plant Control Fund exceeds five
28 million dollars annually, the state treasurer is authorized and directed to transfer any
29 funds in excess of five million dollars to the Conservation Fund. The monies in this

1 fund shall be used solely as provided in Subsection C of this Section and only in the
2 amount appropriated by the legislature. All unexpended and unencumbered monies
3 remaining in this fund at the end of the fiscal year shall remain in the fund. The
4 monies in the fund shall be invested by the state treasurer in the same manner as
5 monies in the state general fund and all returns of such investment shall be deposited
6 to the fund.

7 C. Subject to an annual appropriation by the legislature, the monies in the
8 Aquatic Plant Control Fund shall be used solely by the office of fisheries,
9 Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, to fund the aquatic plant control program and
10 to fund cooperative research and public education efforts by the Department of
11 Wildlife and Fisheries ~~and the Louisiana State University Agricultural Center~~
12 ~~relative to aquatic weed control and eradication and aquatic invasive species control~~
13 ~~and eradication. An amount not to exceed fifteen percent of the annual appropriation~~
14 ~~shall be used to fund research and public education efforts relative to aquatic weed~~
15 ~~control and eradication by the Louisiana State University Agricultural Center. The~~
16 funds appropriated pursuant to the provisions of this Section shall be in addition to
17 any other amounts appropriated by the legislature.

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19 §102. Hunting guide license; fees; penalties

20 A. No person shall act as nor represent himself to be a hunting guide unless
21 that person possesses a valid hunting guide license, proof of liability insurance, and
22 a valid state recreational hunting license that grants hunting privileges appropriate
23 for his client's guided hunting activity. In addition, any person acting as a hunting
24 guide who is in charge of the operation of a vessel shall have a valid captain's license
25 issued by the United States Coast Guard.

26 B.(1) The annual fee for a resident hunting guide license is one hundred fifty
27 dollars.

28 (2) The annual fee for a nonresident hunting guide license is six hundred
29 dollars.

1 C. A hunting guide license is valid for one year, beginning on July first of
2 each calendar year and expiring on June thirtieth of the following calendar year.

3 D. A hunting guide license may be purchased at any time of the year for the
4 current license year and from June first for the immediately following license year.

5 E. A hunting guide license shall be issued by the department during normal
6 working hours and may be purchased in person at the Baton Rouge office, or at any
7 other location designated by the department.

8 F. The fees derived pursuant to this Section shall be placed in the
9 Conservation Fund.

10 G. A violation of any provision of this Section shall constitute a class four
11 violation under the provisions of R.S. 56:34.

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13 §112. Disposal of birds or quadrupeds becoming a nuisance

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15 C. The commission is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations in
16 accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to establish a Nuisance Wildlife
17 Control Operator Program. The program shall establish guidelines to permit
18 individuals who offer commercial services for the control of nuisance wildlife. The
19 fee for a nuisance wildlife control operator permit shall be fifty dollars.

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21 §171. Wildlife; business of raising and selling; breeder's license

22 A. Whoever desires to engage in raising, selling, or raising and selling
23 domestic white-tailed deer or other domesticated deer native to North America;
24 squirrels, rabbits, or other wild game quadrupeds; pheasants, quail, doves, or other
25 domesticated wild game birds; domesticated wild waterfowl, resident or migratory;
26 or their parts, on breeding farms or propagating preserves of which he is the owner
27 or lessee, shall apply to the secretary for a license to do so. Provided that
28 commission requirements have been satisfied, including payment of a fee of ~~twenty-~~
29 ~~five~~ fifty dollars, a license shall be issued permitting the applicant to breed and

1 propagate such animals and sell them alive, or in the case of domesticated wild game
2 birds, to sell their parts and to kill and transport them and sell their carcasses for
3 food, as hereinafter provided in this Subpart.

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5 §172. Killing of birds or animals; sale; trapping regulations; exporting live
6 specimens

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8 B. Wild nongame quadrupeds raised on such licensed breeding farms or
9 preserves may be taken for their pelts only in the open seasons, as prescribed by law.
10 Special parish closed seasons do not apply to such licensed breeders or propagators.
11 ~~The tax, as fixed by law, shall be paid before the raw pelts are shipped out of the~~
12 ~~state and a written affidavit as to the number and kinds shipped out of the state shall~~
13 ~~be furnished the secretary monthly during the open season on such quadrupeds.~~

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15 §251. Licenses; possession limit for nonresident alligator hunter; deposit as
16 guarantee of payment of severance tax; penalties

17 A. The following license fees shall be levied on each fur trapper, alligator
18 hunter, fur buyer, and fur dealer:

19 (1) Every resident fur trapper, ~~fifteen~~ eighteen years of age or older, before
20 commencing the business of trapping furbearing animals, shall secure annually from
21 the department a trapper's license, which shall be furnished upon the payment of
22 ~~twenty-five~~ forty dollars. Every resident fur trapper under the age of ~~fifteen~~ eighteen
23 years, before commencing the business of trapping furbearing animals, shall secure
24 annually from the department a recreational youth hunting license. ~~trapper's license,~~
25 ~~which shall be furnished upon the payment of five dollars.~~ Every nonresident fur
26 trapper, before commencing the business of trapping furbearing animals, shall secure
27 annually from the department a nonresident trapper's license, which shall be
28 furnished upon the payment of ~~two~~ one hundred sixty dollars. Every resident and
29 nonresident fur trapper must at all times have this license in possession while

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1 trapping or selling pelts or animals. The secretary of the department is hereby
2 authorized to enter into reciprocal agreements with any state with respect to
3 nonresident license fees for the trapping of furbearing animals.

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5 (3) Every resident fur buyer shall, before commencing business, procure
6 annually from the department a resident fur buyer's license, which shall be furnished
7 upon the payment of ~~twenty-five~~ fifty-five dollars and the filing of an application
8 approved by the department.

9 (4) Every nonresident fur buyer shall before commencing business procure
10 annually from the department a nonresident fur buyer's license, which shall be
11 furnished upon the payment of ~~one hundred~~ two hundred fifteen dollars, and the
12 filing of an application approved by the department. Every resident and nonresident
13 fur buyer must at all times have this license in possession while operating his
14 business.

15 (5) Every resident fur dealer shall, before commencing business, procure
16 annually from the department a resident fur dealer's license, which shall be furnished
17 upon the payment of ~~one hundred fifty~~ four hundred dollars ~~and a deposit of five~~
18 ~~hundred dollars, to guarantee payment of the severance tax on raw furs and skins,~~
19 and the filing of an application approved by the department.

20 (6) Every nonresident fur dealer shall before commencing business procure
21 annually from the department a nonresident fur dealer's license, which shall be
22 furnished upon the payment of ~~three~~ eight hundred dollars, ~~and a deposit of one~~
23 ~~thousand dollars to guarantee payment of the severance tax on raw furs and skins,~~
24 and the filing of an application approved by the department. Every resident and
25 nonresident dealer must at all times have this license in possession or prominently
26 displayed while operating his business.

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1 §253. Shipping raw furs, alligators, alligator skins, and alligator parts out of state;
2 tags

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4 C.(1) Every resident fur dealer, trapper, alligator hunter, alligator farmer,
5 nonresident fur dealer, or nonresident alligator hunter before shipping raw furs,
6 alligators, or alligator skins out of the state shall secure from the department, or duly
7 authorized representative thereof, a tag to be attached to the shipment. The tag shall
8 be of a distinctive color, bear a serial number and entry headings for information as
9 to the character of the shipment and the name and address of the specific licensed fur
10 dealer making the shipment, and the specific name and address of the receiver or
11 purchaser of the shipment, including the location to which the skins are actually
12 being shipped. The tag shall be filled out at the time of shipment, and be provided
13 with a detachable stub bearing the same serial number and entry headings as appear
14 on the body of the tag. The stub shall be filled out with duplicate information
15 appearing on the body of the tag and returned to the department at the time of
16 shipment, ~~with the proper amount of severance tax due.~~

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18 §258. Dealer records; payment of tax; confiscation of furs and skins

19 A. Every dealer shall maintain complete detailed records of the kind and
20 number of furs purchased inside and outside of the state and of all such furs shipped
21 out of the state or tanned within the state. Dealer records shall be completed and
22 made available to the department for audit purposes within sixty days after the close
23 of the trapping season. ~~Dealers shall remit to the department or pay to the authorized~~
24 ~~representative thereof within ten days following an annual audit of the dealer's~~
25 ~~records the full amount of the tax due.~~

26 B. Every dealer shall maintain complete detailed records of the number of
27 whole alligators and alligator skins purchased inside and outside the state and all
28 alligator skins shipped out of state or alligator skins tanned within the state. Dealer

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1 records shall be completed and furnished to the department at the time of shipment
2 or prior to tanning and dealer must concurrently remit the full amount of tax due.

3 C. ~~Failure to pay the tax, as provided, subjects all pelts of Louisiana~~
4 ~~fur-bearing animals and alligator skins held by dealers to confiscation by order,~~
5 ~~general or special, of the department. Failure to maintain complete records and to~~
6 ~~pay the tax subjects any dealer to the full penalties provided and the immediate~~
7 ~~revocation of his license by the department. No license shall be issued to a dealer~~
8 ~~who has not paid the tax for the preceding year.~~

9 D. Any violation ~~Violation~~ of this Section constitutes a class three violation.

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11 §262. Nongame quadrupeds; breeding, propagation, and exhibition

12 A. Whoever desires to engage in the business of raising and/or exhibiting
13 imported or native nongame quadrupeds shall apply to the department for a license
14 to do so. If it appears that the application is made in good faith, upon a payment of
15 ~~ten~~ twenty dollars, a nongame quadruped exhibitor license may be issued permitting
16 the applicant to breed and/or exhibit such animals provided he meets rules and
17 regulations of the department.

18 B. Whoever desires to engage in the business of raising, exhibiting, and
19 selling imported or native nongame quadrupeds or collecting and selling wild
20 alligator eggs shall apply to the department for a license to do so. If it appears that
21 the application is made in good faith, upon payment of ~~twenty-five~~ fifty dollars, a
22 nongame quadruped breeder license may be issued permitting the applicant to breed,
23 propagate, exhibit, and sell such animals alive or sell their parts; and to kill and
24 transport them and sell their pelts, skins, or carcasses as hereinafter provided in this
25 Section.

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27 D. Nongame quadrupeds raised on such licensed breeding farms may be sold
28 alive or taken for their pelts, skins, or for food according to rules and regulations of
29 the commission. All skins shall be tagged according to rules and regulations of the

1 commission. ~~The severance tax as fixed by law shall be paid before the raw pelts or~~
2 ~~alligator skins are shipped out of state, or tanned within the state, and a written~~
3 ~~affidavit as to the number and kinds shipped or tanned shall be furnished to the~~
4 ~~department as specified.~~

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6 §263. Alligator parts, buying and selling; license; reports; tagging

7 A.(1) Each alligator parts dealer shall secure an alligator parts dealer license
8 from the department before commencing business. The license shall be secured
9 annually and shall be furnished upon the payment of ~~five~~ one hundred five dollars.

10 (2) Each retailer purchasing for retail sale finished alligator parts made from
11 parts other than hides shall secure a license from the department before commencing
12 business. The license shall be secured annually and shall be furnished upon the
13 payment of ~~five~~ ten dollars.

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15 §302.9. Charter boat fishing guide license; nonresident fee

16 A.(1) No person shall act as nor represent himself to be a ~~saltwater~~ charter
17 boat fishing guide unless that person possesses a valid state charter boat fishing
18 guide license, a valid captain's license issued by the United States Coast Guard, proof
19 of liability insurance, and a valid state recreational fishing license, ~~or in lieu of a~~
20 ~~state recreational fishing license, the person was born prior to June 1, 1940, or has~~
21 ~~a valid senior hunting and fishing license issued pursuant to R.S. 56:302.1(G) that~~
22 grants fishing privileges appropriate for his charter activity. In addition, any person
23 acting as a saltwater charter boat fishing guide who is in charge of the operation of
24 a vessel shall have his required licenses and proof of liability insurance on his person
25 while on the water. It shall not be a violation of this Section for a person to represent
26 himself as a charter boat fishing guide if that person held a valid license during the
27 previous thirty days but has not renewed the license.

28 * * *

1 C.(1) The annual fee for a resident saltwater charter boat fishing guide
2 license is ~~two hundred fifty~~ three hundred dollars for operating a vessel that carries
3 not more than six passengers and ~~five~~ seven hundred dollars for operating a vessel
4 that carries more than six passengers.

5 (2) The annual fee for a resident freshwater charter guide license is
6 one-hundred fifty dollars.

7 ~~(2)(a)~~ (3)(a) The annual fee for a nonresident charter boat fishing guide
8 license is one thousand five hundred dollars for operating a vessel that carries not
9 more than six passengers and two thousand dollars for operating a vessel that carries
10 more than six passengers.

11 (b) The annual fee for a nonresident freshwater charter boat fishing guide
12 license is five hundred dollars.

13 ~~(b)(c)~~ There shall be an additional five hundred dollar fee for each
14 nonresident charter boat fishing guide license issued under the provisions of
15 ~~Subparagraph (a)~~ Subparagraphs (a) and (b) of this Paragraph which shall be
16 deposited into the Conservation Fund, as provided in R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(f). Such
17 funds shall be used by the department for promotion of the charter boat industry,
18 protection of the fishery, and to provide for administrative costs of the fund. Such
19 fees are to be expended for such purposes through the Louisiana Charter Boat
20 Association.

21 * * *

22 F. A charter boat fishing guide license shall be issued by the department
23 during normal working hours and may be purchased in person ~~at any department~~
24 ~~district office~~, at the Baton Rouge and ~~New Orleans offices~~ office, or at any other
25 location designated by the department.

26 * * *

27 §302.9.1. Charter boat license; skiff fee; charter fishing trip license

28 A. For a charter fishing operation which does not have a charter boat fishing
29 guide present, a charter boat license shall be required. Such license shall be for a

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1 charter fishing operation which consists of a large motorized vessel carrying small
 2 skiffs, kayaks, or paddle craft attached to it ~~with such skiffs~~ to be used by no more
 3 than two people for fishing purposes. The main motorized vessel shall be required
 4 to carry a charter boat license and proof of liability insurance, and the captain shall
 5 have a valid captain's license issued by the United States Coast Guard with the
 6 license on his person. For those vessels which carry up to six skiffs, kayaks, or
 7 paddle craft, the license fee shall be one thousand five hundred dollars per year. For
 8 those vessels which carry more than six skiffs, kayaks, or paddle craft, the license
 9 fee shall be ~~two~~ three thousand dollars per year. No main motorized vessel licensed
 10 under the provisions of this Section shall enter any wildlife management area
 11 managed by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. The liability insurance
 12 required by this Subsection shall meet the requirement of R.S. 56:302.9(A)(2).

13 B. In addition, each skiff, kayak, or paddle craft shall be required to have a
 14 charter skiff license which identifies the charter vessel to which it is attached. A
 15 licensed skiff, kayak, or paddle craft shall only be used for fishing purposes while
 16 the charter vessel with which it is identified is located in Louisiana's territorial
 17 waters. Each charter skiff license shall be issued for an annual cost of ~~fifty~~ seventy-
 18 five dollars per skiff.

19 * * *

20 E. Any person fishing in or with a licensed charter skiff shall have in his
 21 possession a copy of the charter boat license, a copy of the charter skiff license, ~~and~~
 22 his charter fishing trip license, or an equivalent license that grants both basic and
 23 saltwater fishing privileges.

24 * * *

25 §303. Commercial fisherman's license; charter boat fishing guide's license
 26 certification; fees; place of purchase; information

27 * * *

1 B. The cost of the commercial fisherman's license is ~~forty-five~~ one hundred
2 ten dollars for residents and ~~four hundred sixty~~ six hundred twenty dollars for
3 nonresidents.

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5 D. A commercial fisherman's license shall be issued only by the following:

6 (1) The department during normal working hours. The license may be
7 purchased in person at the Baton Rouge office or at any other location designated by
8 the department. and New Orleans offices, at any district office located south of
9 Interstate Highway 10, and at the fisheries office located in Bourg and the office
10 located in New Iberia, or

11 * * *

12 F. A resident of this state who is seventy years of age or older may obtain a
13 senior commercial fishing license for an annual fee of ~~twenty~~ twenty five dollars. The
14 senior commercial fishing license shall be valid from January first of each calendar
15 year until December thirty-first of the same calendar year. The license may be
16 purchased at any time for the current license year and may be purchased after
17 November fifteenth for the following license year. The license shall be in lieu of a
18 commercial fisherman's license required by this Section and shall also serve in lieu
19 of any commercial gear licenses that may be required by any activities engaged in
20 by the license holder.

21 G.(1) Any fisherman properly licensed or permitted to legally fish in the
22 federal exclusive economic zone (EEZ) may purchase a Gulf Seafood Traversing and
23 Offloading License from the department to transport and sell his own catch from the
24 federal EEZ across state waters to any licensed wholesale/retail seafood dealer
25 located within the state of Louisiana.

26 (2) Such license shall be issued in lieu of a commercial fisherman's license,
27 vessel license, and any applicable commercial gear license for fishing gear aboard
28 the vessel.

1 (3) The fee for the Gulf Seafood Traversing and Offloading License shall be
2 one hundred seventy-five dollars for residents and eight hundred dollars for
3 nonresidents.

4 (4) While traversing state waters going to and from the federal EEZ, all
5 fishing gear shall be stowed and shall not be used while in state waters.

6 (5) The licensee shall provide the wholesale/retail seafood dealer with all
7 information, as determined by the commission to be necessary to properly manage
8 the fishery resources of the state, that is required to complete the commercial receipt
9 form, which shall include but not be limited to the fisherman's first and last name,
10 license number, signature, gear used, vessel used, primary location of where fish
11 were caught, duration of trip, and permit numbers for species requiring a permit to
12 harvest. The licensee shall sign each commercial receipt form attesting that the
13 information provided is correct.

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15 §303.1.1. Fresh products license

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17 B. The cost of a fresh products license shall be ~~twenty~~ seventy five dollars
18 for residents and ~~one hundred twenty~~ three hundred dollars for nonresidents. The
19 fresh products license shall be valid for one year, beginning on January first of each
20 calendar year and expiring on December thirty-first of the same calendar year.

21 C. The fresh products license shall be issued only by the department during
22 normal working hours and may be purchased in person at the Baton Rouge office ~~and~~
23 ~~New Orleans offices~~ or at any other location designated by the department.

24 * * *

25 E. A commercial fisherman may purchase a secondary fresh products license
26 for a ~~spouse~~ any designated individual if he provides the ~~spouse's~~ individual's name
27 and social security number to the department. This secondary license will allow the
28 commercial fisherman to continue to fish while the ~~spouse~~ designated individual
29 sells the catch. The secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries shall

1 promulgate rules and regulations implementing the provisions of this Subsection.
2 The department is authorized to collect a fee for issuance of the license not to exceed
3 five dollars which, after compliance with Article VII, Section 9(B) of the
4 Constitution of Louisiana relative to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund, shall
5 be credited to the Conservation Fund.

6 * * *

7 §303.6. Oyster harvester license

8 A.(1) Each captain of a vessel harvesting or possessing oysters in state
9 waters must purchase an oyster harvester license at a cost of ~~one hundred~~ fifteen
10 dollars for residents and ~~four hundred~~ sixty dollars for nonresidents.

11 ~~(2) This license shall be required in addition to any and all licenses otherwise~~
12 ~~required in this Part. The provisions of this Section shall apply to both commercial~~
13 ~~and recreational fishermen.~~

14 B. The revenues generated from this license shall be deposited into the
15 Oyster Resource Management Account ~~used by the Department of Wildlife and~~
16 ~~Fisheries solely for the Oyster Strike Force and the Louisiana Department of Health~~
17 ~~for oyster water monitoring.~~

18 * * *

19 §304. Vessel license; fees; place of purchase

20 * * *

21 B. The cost of the vessel license is ~~fifteen~~ seventy dollars for residents and
22 ~~sixty four hundred~~ dollars for nonresidents.

23 C. Vessel licenses shall be issued only by the department during normal
24 working hours and may be purchased in person at ~~any department district office,~~ at
25 the department's Baton Rouge ~~and New Orleans offices,~~ office or at any other
26 location designated by the department.

27 * * *

28 §304.1. Vessel license: license year; purchase period

29 * * *

1 B. A vessel license may be purchased at any time of the year for the current
2 license year and from ~~October first~~ November fifteenth for the immediately
3 following license year.

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5 §305. Commercial gear license; issuance to certain nonresidents prohibited;
6 moratorium on certain new gear licenses; renewals

7 * * *

8 B. Residents shall pay a commercial gear fee as follows:

9 (1) Shrimp Gear:

10 (a) Butterfly nets: fifty dollars for each butterfly net.

11 (b) Skimmer nets: fifty dollars for each skimmer net.

12 (c) Trawls: fifty dollars for each trawl, except no fee is required for use of
13 a test trawl, as defined by R.S. 56:495.1(A), when used with another trawl for which
14 the gear fee has been paid.

15 (d) Freshwater shrimp net: fifty dollars to use a freshwater shrimp net in
16 accordance with R.S. 56:501.

17 (e) All revenue collected from the sale of shrimp gear fees established in this
18 Paragraph, or from nonresident shrimp gear fees collected pursuant to Paragraph
19 (C)(1) of this Section shall be credited to the Shrimp Development and Management
20 Account as provided in R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(b).

21 (2) Oyster Gear:

22 (a) Oyster tongs: fifty dollars for each oyster tong.

23 (b) Oyster scrapers: fifty dollars for each scraper.

24 (c) All revenue collected from the sale of oyster gear fees established in this
25 Paragraph, or from non-resident oyster gear fees collected pursuant to Paragraph
26 (C)(1) of this Section shall be credited to the Oyster Resource Management Account
27 as provided in R.S. 56:10(B)(4).

28 (3) Crab Gear:

1 (a) Crab traps: fifty dollars for the privilege of using crab traps to fish
2 commercially.

3 (b) All revenue collected from the sale of crab gear fees established in this
4 Paragraph, or from non-resident crab gear fees collected pursuant to Paragraph
5 (C)(1) of this Section shall be credited to the Crab Development, Management, and
6 Derelict Crab Trap Removal Account as provided in R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(e).

7 (4) Saltwater Finfish Gear:

8 (a) Mullet strike net: three hundred dollars per mullet strike net that may
9 only be used during the special mullet season defined in R.S. 56:333 or the special
10 spotted sea trout season defined in R.S. 56:325.3(C).

11 (b) Pompano strike net: three hundred dollars per pompano strike net that
12 may only be used during the special pompano season defined in R.S. 56:325.4 and
13 406.

14 (c) All commercial gear licenses as provided for in Subparagraphs (a) and
15 (b) of this Paragraph issued to all qualified nonresidents shall be one thousand two
16 hundred dollars.

17 (d) Rod and reel: three hundred fifty dollars to fish in the saltwater areas of
18 the state as defined in R.S. 56:322(A) and (B). The department may issue a saltwater
19 commercial rod and reel gear license to each applicant only if the following
20 conditions have been met:

21 (i) The applicant must provide positive proof that they held a valid
22 commercial gear license for gill nets during any two years of the years 1995, 1994,
23 and 1993.

24 (ii) The applicant must provide positive proof, in the form of unamended
25 original state and federal income tax returns, including Schedule C of the federal
26 1040 form, submitted in accordance with procedures established by the commission,
27 that the applicant has derived more than fifty percent of his earned income from the
28 capture and sale of seafood species in at least two of the three years, 1995, 1994, or
29 1993.

1 (e) Purse seines/menhaden seines: three thousand dollars for each purse seine
2 in use.

3 (f) Other saltwater gear: fifty dollars to use any legal number of commercial
4 cast nets with a radius in excess of eight feet six inches, hoop nets, gill nets, trammel
5 nets, strike nets, or seines for use in the saltwater areas of the state as defined in R.S.
6 56:322(A) and (B). Effective May 1, 1995, the department shall not issue any new
7 commercial gear licenses for gill nets, trammel nets, strike nets, or seines for use in
8 the saltwater areas of the state. The department may issue renewal licenses to any
9 person, company, or corporation that held a valid commercial gear license for such
10 gear for at least two years during either the 1992, 1993, or 1994 calendar years. The
11 provisions of this Paragraph shall not apply to licenses issued for the commercial
12 taking of menhaden.

13 (5) Crawfish Gear:

14 Crawfish traps: fifty dollars for the privilege of using crawfish traps to fish
15 commercially.

16 (6) Freshwater Gear:

17 (a) Fifty dollars to use one shad gill net pursuant to R.S. 56:322.2. No person
18 shall receive more than one such license per year.

19 (b) Fifty dollars to use one shad seine in freshwater areas of the state
20 pursuant to R.S. 56:322.1. No person shall receive more than one such license per
21 year.

22 (c) Fifty dollars to use any legal number of hoop nets, seines, slat traps,
23 trammel nets, cast nets with a radius in excess of eight feet six inches, wire nets,
24 pipes, buckets, drums, tires, and cans that are placed into the water for the purpose
25 of capturing and taking fish for commercial purposes in the freshwater areas of the
26 state as defined in R.S. 56:322(A) and (B).

27 ~~(1) Butterfly nets: twenty-five dollars for each butterfly net.~~

28 ~~(2) Crab traps: fifty dollars for the privilege of using crab traps to fish~~
29 ~~commercially. An amount equal to ten dollars from each commercial crab trap gear~~

1 license shall be credited to the Derelict Crab Trap Removal Program Account as
2 provided in R.S. 56:10(B)(13), and an amount equal to ten dollars from each
3 commercial crab trap license shall be credited to the Crab Promotion and Marketing
4 Account as provided in R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(c). Any resident who holds a senior
5 commercial fishing license shall be exempt from the provisions of this Paragraph.

6 (3) Oyster scrapers: twenty-five dollars for each scraper.

7 (4) Gill nets:

8 (a) Twenty-five dollars to use any legal number of gill nets in the freshwater
9 areas of the state as defined in R.S. 56:322(A) and (B):

10 (c) Two hundred fifty dollars per mullet strike net that may only be used
11 during the special mullet season defined in R.S. 56:333 or the special spotted sea
12 trout season defined in R.S. 56:325.3(C):

13 (d) Two hundred fifty dollars per pompano strike net that may only be used
14 during the special pompano season defined in R.S. 56:325.4 and 406:

15 (e) All commercial gear licenses as provided for in Subparagraphs (b), (c),
16 and (d) of this Paragraph issued to all qualified nonresidents shall be one thousand
17 dollars:

18 (f) Twenty-five dollars to use one shad gill net pursuant to R.S. 56:322.2.

19 No person shall receive more than one such license per year.

20 (5) Hoop nets: twenty-five dollars to use any legal number of hoop nets.

21 (6) Purse seines/menhaden seines: five hundred five dollars for each purse
22 seine in use:

23 (7) Seines: twenty-five dollars to use any legal number of seines:

24 (8) Oyster tongs: thirty dollars for each oyster tong:

25 (9) Slat traps: twenty-five dollars to use any legal number of slat traps:

26 (10) Trammel nets: twenty-five dollars to use any legal number of trammel
27 nets in the freshwater areas of the state as defined in R.S. 56:322(A) and (B):

1 ~~(11) Trawls: twenty-five dollars for each trawl, except no fee is required for~~
2 ~~use of a test trawl, as defined by R.S. 56:495.1(A), when used with another trawl for~~
3 ~~which the gear fee has been paid.~~

4 ~~(12) Crawfish traps: twenty-five dollars to use any legal number of crawfish~~
5 ~~traps.~~

6 ~~(13) Castnets with a radius in excess of eight feet six inches.~~

7 ~~(14) Rod and reel: two hundred fifty dollars to fish in the saltwater areas of~~
8 ~~the state as defined in R.S. 56:322(A) and (B). The department may issue a saltwater~~
9 ~~commercial rod and reel gear license to each applicant only if the following~~
10 ~~conditions have been met:~~

11 ~~(a) The applicant must provide positive proof that they held a valid~~
12 ~~commercial gear license for gill nets during any two years of the years 1995, 1994,~~
13 ~~and 1993.~~

14 ~~(b) The applicant must provide positive proof, in the form of unamended~~
15 ~~original state and federal income tax returns, including Schedule C of the federal~~
16 ~~1040 form, submitted in accordance with procedures established by the commission,~~
17 ~~that the applicant has derived more than fifty percent of his earned income from the~~
18 ~~capture and sale of seafood species in at least two of the three years, 1995, 1994, or~~
19 ~~1993.~~

20 ~~(c) Repealed by Acts 1997, No. 727, §2.~~

21 ~~(d) Each commercial rod and reel fisherman shall report his total monthly~~
22 ~~commercial take to the department in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 56:345.~~

23 ~~(15) Wire nets: twenty-five dollars to use any legal number of wire nets.~~

24 ~~(16) Twenty-five dollars to use one shad seine in freshwater areas of the state~~
25 ~~pursuant to R.S. 56:322.1. No person shall receive more than one such license per~~
26 ~~year.~~

27 ~~(17) Twenty-five dollars to use a freshwater shrimp net in accordance with~~
28 ~~R.S. 56:501.~~

1 ~~(18) Any other type of legal gear not listed in this Subsection: twenty-five~~
 2 ~~dollars. This type of gear includes pipes, buckets, drums, tires, and cans that are~~
 3 ~~placed into the water for the purpose of capturing and taking fish for commercial~~
 4 ~~purposes.~~

5 C.(1)(a) The commercial gear fee for nonresidents is four times the gear fee
 6 for residents; however, the nonresident fee for oyster dredges and tongs in particular
 7 shall be eight times the fee for residents.

8 (b) ~~An amount equal to forty dollars for each nonresident commercial crab~~
 9 ~~trap gear license shall be credited to the Derelict Crab Trap Removal Program~~
 10 ~~Account as provided in R.S. 56:10(B)(13), and an amount equal to forty dollars from~~
 11 ~~each commercial crab trap gear license shall be credited to the Crab Promotion and~~
 12 ~~Marketing Account as provided in R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(e).~~

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13
 14 ~~(3) Effective May 1, 1995, the department shall not issue any new~~
 15 ~~commercial gear licenses for gill nets, trammel nets, strike nets, or seines for use in~~
 16 ~~the saltwater areas of the state. The department may issue renewal licenses to any~~
 17 ~~person, company, or corporation that held a valid commercial gear license for such~~
 18 ~~gear for at least two years during either the 1992, 1993, or 1994 calendar years. The~~
 19 ~~provisions of this Paragraph shall not apply to licenses issued for the commercial~~
 20 ~~taking of menhaden.~~

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 22 G. ~~In addition to any other fees provided for in this Section, any commercial~~
 23 ~~fisherman who purchases a trawl, skimmer, or butterfly gear license shall be required~~
 24 ~~to pay an annual fee of ten dollars for residents and forty dollars for nonresidents for~~
 25 ~~deposit into the Shrimp Marketing and Promotion Account as provided for in R.S.~~
 26 ~~56:10(B)(1)(b)(i). The licensee shall pay the fee required by this Subsection only~~
 27 ~~once in any single license year.~~

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1 §305.1. License year; place of purchase; purchase period

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3 B. A commercial gear license may be purchased at any time of the year for
4 the current license year and from ~~October first~~ November fifteenth for the
5 immediately following license year.

6 C. Commercial gear licenses shall be issued only by the department during
7 normal working hours and may be purchased in person at any department district
8 office, at the department's Baton Rouge office and ~~New Orleans offices~~, or at any
9 other location designated by the department.

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11 §306. Wholesale/retail seafood dealer's license; place of business; employees;
12 exemptions; wholesale out-of-state crab shipping license

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14 B.

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18 (c) ~~Of the revenues~~ All revenues collected from the issuance of wholesale
19 out-of-state crab shipping licenses, ~~ten percent~~ shall be deposited to the Crab
20 Development, Management and Derelict Crab Trap Removal Account as provided
21 in R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(e) Conservation Fund, and ~~ninety percent~~ shall be deposited to
22 ~~the Crab Promotion and Marketing Account of the Seafood Promotion and~~
23 ~~Marketing Fund, R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(e).~~

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25 §306.1. Retail seafood dealer's license; place of business; employees; retail out-of-
26 state crab shipping license

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3 (b) The fee for a retail out-of-state crab shipping license shall be ~~one hundred~~
4 two hundred forty dollars per year. The license shall be valid for one year, beginning
5 on January first of each calendar year and expiring on December thirty-first of the
6 same calendar year. The license may be purchased at any time of the year for the
7 current license year and from November fifteenth for the immediately following
8 license year.

9 (c) ~~Of the revenues~~ All revenues collected from the issuance of retail out-of-
10 state crab shipping licenses, ~~ten percent~~ shall be deposited to the Crab Development,
11 Management, and Derelict Crab Trap Removal Account as provided in R.S.
12 56:10(B)(1)(e) Conservation Fund, and ~~ninety percent~~ shall be deposited to the Crab
13 Promotion and Marketing Account of the Seafood Promotion and Marketing Fund,
14 R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(e).

15 * * *

16 §306.2. License fee; place of purchase

17 A.(1) The cost of the wholesale/retail seafood dealer's license is ~~two~~ seven
18 hundred fifty dollars for residents and ~~one thousand one hundred five~~ three thousand
19 dollars for nonresidents. Restaurants and retail grocers may sell native reptiles and
20 amphibians for human consumption under the provisions of this Section.

21 (2) The cost of the retail seafood dealer's license is ~~one hundred five~~ three
22 hundred seventy-five dollars for residents and ~~four hundred five~~ one thousand five
23 hundred dollars for nonresidents.

24 * * *

25 B. A wholesale/retail seafood dealer's license and retail seafood dealer's
26 license shall be issued only by the department during normal working hours at the
27 Baton Rouge office and ~~New Orleans offices~~, or at any other location designated by
28 the department.

1 §306.3. Wholesale/retail seafood dealer's license and retail seafood dealer's license;
2 license year; purchase period

3 * * *

4 B. A wholesale/retail seafood dealer's license and a retail seafood dealer's
5 license may be purchased at any time of the year for the current license year and
6 from ~~October first~~ November fifteenth for the immediately following license year.

7 * * *

8 §307.1. Transport license fee; underlying license

9 A. The cost of a transport license is ~~thirty~~ one hundred dollars per vehicle
10 and can only be purchased by a person holding a valid Louisiana commercial
11 fisherman's license or valid Louisiana wholesale/retail dealer's license.

12 * * *

13 §322.1. Shad seine; commercial harvest of shad and skipjack herring

14 A. A commercial fisherman licensed in accordance with R.S. 56:303 and
15 305(B)(~~16~~)(6)(b) may take shad, skipjack, and any other freshwater commercial fish
16 of legal size with a shad seine in accordance with this Section.

17 * * *

18 §322.2. Shad gill nets; commercial harvest of shad and skipjack herring

19 A. A commercial fisherman licensed in accordance with R.S. 56:303 and
20 305(B)(~~4~~)(~~5~~)(6)(a) may take shad and skipjack with a shad gill net in Lake Palourde,
21 Lake Verret, Lac Des Allemands, all of the waterways in Iberville Parish, and those
22 portions of the parishes of Iberia, St. Martin, and St. Mary located between the guide
23 levees of the Atchafalaya Basin but is specifically not authorized to do so in the
24 streams, bayous, canals, and other water bodies connected with the specified lakes.

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26 §325.3. Spotted sea trout commercial taking; annual quota; red drum commercial
27 taking, possession, or landing prohibited

28 * * *

1 C. The commercial taking or sale by a commercial fisherman of spotted sea
 2 trout is prohibited except by special permit issued by the Department of Wildlife and
 3 Fisheries at a cost of one hundred fifty dollars for residents of this state and ~~four~~ six
 4 hundred dollars for those who are nonresidents. No person shall purchase spotted
 5 sea trout from any commercial fisherman who does not possess a spotted sea trout
 6 permit. No person shall qualify for a charter boat fishing guide license and a spotted
 7 sea trout permit during the same licensure period.

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9 §326. Size and possession limits; commercial fish

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11 E.

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13 ~~(2) Persons commercially fishing for shark must obtain a permit from the~~
 14 ~~secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.~~ The commercial taking or
 15 sale by a commercial fisherman of shark is prohibited except by special permit
 16 issued by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries at a cost of twenty-five dollars.

17 Such permit shall be in the immediate possession of the person commercially fishing
 18 for shark. Any shark fisherman who violates a commercial shark fishery regulation
 19 shall be subject to the following sanctions:

20 * * *

21 H. The possession limit for the commercial taking of southern flounder shall
 22 be ten fish for each licensed fisherman for each consecutive day on the water.
 23 ~~However, the provisions of this Subsection shall not apply to southern flounder~~
 24 ~~caught as by-catch authorized by R.S. 56:492.~~

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26 §411. Legislative findings and purpose

27 * * *

28 B. For the purposes of this Subpart the following definitions shall apply:

29 * * *

1 (4) "Mariculture" means the rearing, nurturing, or growing of saltwater fish
2 in cages, pens, or any other containment device in or on state territorial waters
3 including those waters over private-owned water bottoms.

4 (5) "Culture" means any activity associated with the rearing, nurturing, or
5 growing of a domesticated aquatic organism.

6 (6) "Species specific permits" are special domesticated aquatic organism
7 permits that are required for any species which have restricted methods of
8 aquaculture.

9 * * *

10 §412. Issuance and renewal of domesticated aquatic organism license

11 A.

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13 (2) A domesticated aquatic organism license shall be valid for one year,
14 beginning January first of each calendar year and expiring December thirty-first of
15 the same calendar year. The license may be purchased at any time of the year for the
16 current license year and after November fourteenth for the immediately following
17 license year. The cost of a domesticated aquatic organism license is ~~fifteen~~ twenty
18 five dollars for residents and ~~four~~ five hundred dollars for nonresidents. A renewal
19 notice shall be mailed to each licensee by the department prior to the license
20 expiration dates explaining the renewal procedures. In addition to the general
21 domestic aquatic organism license, the department may issue the following permits
22 for particular aquaculture activity:

23 (a) Any required species specific culture permit shall cost one hundred
24 dollars and all other species specific permits shall cost fifty dollars.

25 (b) Mariculture permits shall cost five hundred dollars annually. Mariculture
26 permits shall be issued for the life of the project and shall be revoked upon failure
27 to maintain the conditions of the permit, or upon lapse of the annual fee.

28 * * *

1 (5) No person engaged in the business of aquaculture nor any other person
 2 may use public bodies of water to propagate, raise, feed, or grow any species of fish
 3 with the exception of shellfish native or endemic to Louisiana or the Northern Gulf
 4 of Mexico. The use of cages, pens, and fenced-off portions of such water bodies for
 5 propagating, raising, or growing any species of fish is prohibited without a valid
 6 Mariculture or Alternative Oyster Culture permit issued by the department.

7 * * *

8 §433.1. Oyster seed ground vessel permit; ~~Oyster Seed Ground Vessel Permit~~
 9 ~~Appeals Board~~

10 A.(1) Any oysters taken for commercial purposes from the public natural
 11 reefs or the oyster seed grounds or reservations, except those in Calcasieu Lake or
 12 Sabine Lake, shall be placed only on a vessel which has an oyster seed ground vessel
 13 permit issued exclusively by the department pursuant to rules and regulations
 14 promulgated by the commission. The commission may establish a limit on the
 15 number of permits that may be issued each year after consultation with the Louisiana
 16 Oyster Task Force. Such permit shall be issued in the name of the vessel owner and
 17 shall identify the vessel permitted by including the state registration number or the
 18 United States Coast Guard documented number. The permit shall identify the vessel
 19 that may possess and transport oysters taken from the public natural reefs and oyster
 20 seed grounds. The permit does not grant any rights to the oyster resource or any
 21 rights to harvest oysters from the waters of the state and shall not be sold, exchanged,
 22 or otherwise transferred. The permit is valid for one year, beginning on January first
 23 of each calendar year and expiring on December thirty-first of the same calendar
 24 year, and permit holders who hold a valid permit during the prior year may renew the
 25 permit at any time of the year for the current license year and from November
 26 fifteenth for the immediately following license year. The cost of the permit ~~for a~~
 27 ~~vessel from which oysters will be harvested using a single scraper, tongs, or by hand~~
 28 shall be ~~two hundred~~ fifty dollars per year for a resident and ~~one thousand two~~
 29 hundred dollars per year for a nonresident. ~~The cost of the permit for a vessel from~~

1 ~~which oysters will be harvested using a double scraper or any other legal method of~~
2 ~~harvest shall be five hundred dollars for a resident and two thousand dollars for a~~
3 ~~nonresident.~~ In addition to the vessel permit fee, in order to harvest oysters from the
4 public grounds, a person shall be in possession of a Public Oyster Seed Ground gear
5 license. The Public Oyster Seed Ground gear license allows harvest of oysters from
6 the public seed grounds using a single scraper, tongs, or by hand. The fee for the
7 gear license is two hundred dollars per year for a resident and eight hundred dollars
8 per year for a nonresident. A second scraper may be used but requires an additional
9 gear license. No vessel shall use or possess more than two scrapers while harvesting
10 on the public seed grounds. After having been credited to the Bond Security and
11 Redemption Fund as required by Article VII, Section 9(B) of the Constitution of
12 Louisiana, all revenues received from purchase of the permit shall be deposited in
13 the ~~Public Oyster Seed Ground Development Account, R.S. 56:434.1~~ Oyster
14 Resource Management Account, R.S. 56:10(B)(4).

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16 §442. Collection and disposition of funds; dedication of funds

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18 B. Except for funds collected from the privilege to take shells or shell
19 deposits from the water bottoms, ~~the funds provided for and arising from the~~
20 ~~collection of severance taxes,~~ bedding ground rentals, and other sources of income,
21 shall be collected by the department and record made thereof. These funds shall be
22 deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the department.

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24 §449. Tags; distribution; use; containers; penalties

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26 B. The department shall establish uniform fees for such tags. The fees shall
27 be sufficient in amount to cover the cost of the tags as well as the administrative
28 costs of distribution. In addition to the established uniform fee, there shall be an

1 additional fee of five cents per tag which shall be deposited into the Oyster
2 Development Account ~~within the Seafood Promotion and Marketing Fund.~~

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4 §492. Incidental by-catch

5 ~~Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, or any rule or~~
6 ~~regulation adopted by the department or the commission, any~~ Any commercial
7 shrimping vessel may retain and any commercial fisherman may sell all southern
8 flounder caught as by-catch on any shrimping trip unless the southern flounder stock
9 is determined to be overfished or undergoing overfishing by the department. After
10 such a determination, the commission may adopt rules or regulations in accordance
11 with the Administrative Procedures Act to restrict the retention of southern flounder
12 caught as by-catch on any shrimping trip until such time as the department
13 determines the stock has recovered from an overfished or overfishing status.

14 * * *

15 §494. Louisiana Shrimp Task Force

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17 E. The task force is hereby charged with responsibility to do the following:

18 * * *

19 (5) Administer a portion of the funds in the Shrimp Development and
20 Management Account equivalent to ten dollars per resident commercial shrimp gear
21 license sold annually and forty dollars per nonresident commercial shrimp gear
22 license sold annually, Marketing and Promotion Fund, which fund shall be used to
23 create new markets for shrimp and promote the sale of shrimp harvested from
24 Louisiana waters.

25 * * *

26 F. The activities of the Shrimp Task Force shall be funded through ~~the~~
27 ~~Shrimp Marketing and Promotion Fund (R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(b)(i))~~ Shrimp
28 Development and Management Account (R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(b)).

29 * * *

1 §501. Commercial taking of freshwater shrimp

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3 B.

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5 (2) A person shrimping pursuant to this Subsection shall use a wire net with
6 a one-quarter inch bar and a maximum length of six feet. The net shall be marked
7 with a one gallon jug painted international orange and displaying the words
8 "Freshwater Shrimp" in black letters. In addition to a commercial fishing license,
9 a fisherman fishing pursuant to this Subsection shall possess a freshwater shrimp net
10 license issued pursuant to R.S. 56:305(B)(~~17~~)(1)(d).

11 * * *

12 §632.4. Reptile and amphibian collector's license; scientific collector's permit

13 A. All persons engaged in the sale of native reptiles and amphibians
14 collected in Louisiana must possess one of the following licenses:

15 (1) A resident must possess a resident collector's license at a cost of ~~twenty-~~
16 ~~five~~ fifty-five dollars.

17 (2) A nonresident must possess a nonresident collector's license at a cost of
18 ~~two hundred~~ four hundred twenty dollars.

19 (3) Residents under ~~sixteen~~ eighteen years of age shall be required to possess
20 a collector's license at a cost of ten dollars.

21 * * *

22 §632.5. Reptile and amphibian wholesale/retail dealer's license; nonresident three-
23 day license

24 A. Any person buying, acquiring, or handling, from any person, by any
25 means whatsoever, or for propagation for sale, any live species of native reptile or
26 amphibian, except farm raised aquatic chelonians, or any live species of poisonous
27 snake or constrictor, as delineated in R.S. 56:632.5.1, in Louisiana, from within or
28 outside the state, for sale, or resale, whether on a commission basis or otherwise, is
29 a wholesale/retail reptile amphibian dealer and shall possess a reptile and amphibian

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1 wholesale/retail dealer's license at a cost of ~~one hundred five~~ two hundred twenty
2 dollars for a resident and ~~four hundred five~~ eight hundred eighty dollars for a
3 nonresident.

4 * * *

5 E. In lieu of the regular nonresident wholesale/retail dealer's license,
6 nonresidents may purchase a three-day reptile and amphibian wholesale/retail
7 dealer's license for a fee of ~~seventy-five~~ one hundred fifty dollars. The three-day
8 license shall be valid only for three consecutive days.

9 * * *

10 §632.9. Transporter; license required; license fee; prohibitions; number of licenses;
11 transferability; records; common carriers

12 * * *

13 B.(1) The cost of a reptile and amphibian transport license is ~~thirty~~ sixty-five
14 dollars per vehicle for a resident and ~~one hundred twenty~~ two hundred fifty dollars
15 per vehicle for a nonresident and can be purchased only by a person holding a valid
16 Louisiana reptile and amphibian collector's license or valid Louisiana reptile and
17 amphibian wholesale/retail dealer's license.

18 * * *

19 §653. Information to accompany applications; annual fee

20 A. The application for such a license shall be accompanied by a fee of ~~two~~
21 ~~hundred~~ four hundred twenty dollars to be the annual charge for the issuance of such
22 license, and shall be further accompanied by information as to:

23 (1) The location and description of the premises, including a legal
24 description of the land, and

25 (2) Copies of parish or ward maps with the area or areas clearly outlined and
26 a description of the facilities thereon, together with the interest of the applicant
27 therein.

28 * * *

1 Section 3. R.S. 56:8(16)(a)(ii) and (b)(i), 10(B)(1)(f) and (g), (7)(a), (9), and (10),
2 103(A), (B), and (C), 109(D), 116(C)(1) and (D), 116.1(C)(3), the heading of Subpart A-1
3 of Part IV of Chapter 1 of Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, 151, 302,
4 302.1(Section heading) and (A) through (C), 302.10(B)(1) through (3) and (C), 325.1(A)(1),
5 (3)(a), and (C)(2)(d), 325.3(A)(1), 330(B). 500(A), 641, 649.1, 649.2, 649.3, 649.4, 649.7,
6 and 1833 are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 56:8(16)(a)(v), 10(B)(4) and (7)(c),
7 10.3, 302.1(D), 645, 678, 679 and Chapter 14 of Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes
8 of 1950, consisting of R.S. 56:3000 through 3007 are hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §8. Definitions

10 For purposes of this Chapter, the following words and phrases have the
11 meaning ascribed to them in this Section, unless the context clearly shows a different
12 meaning:

13 * * *

14 (16)(a) Except as specified in Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, "bona fide
15 resident" means any person who is a United States citizen or resident alien and has
16 resided in this state continuously during the twelve months immediately prior to the
17 date on which he applies for any license and who has manifested his intent to remain
18 in this state by establishing Louisiana as his legal domicile, as demonstrated by
19 compliance with all of the following, as applicable:

20 * * *

21 (ii) If licensed to drive a motor vehicle, he is in possession of a Louisiana
22 driver's license, or, if ~~over the age of fifteen years and~~ not licensed to drive, he is in
23 possession of a special identification card issued by the Department of Public Safety
24 and Corrections under the provisions of R.S. 40:1321, or an alternative form of proof
25 of residency that the department deems acceptable.

26 * * *

27 (v) If a minor who cannot otherwise demonstrate legal domicile by other
28 methods established in this Paragraph, is in possession of an alternative form of
29 proof of residency that the department deems acceptable.

1 (b) For purchase of a license for hunting or recreational fishing activities
2 where such license does not authorize any commercial activity, "bona fide resident"
3 means the following:

4 (i) Any person who is a United States citizen or resident alien and has
5 resided in this state continuously during the six months immediately prior to the date
6 on which he applies for any such license and who has manifested his intent to remain
7 in this state by establishing Louisiana as his legal domicile, as demonstrated by
8 compliance with Items (a)(i) through ~~(iv)~~(v) of this Paragraph.

9 * * *

10 §10. Annual report to governor; estimate of proposed expenditures; particular funds;
11 limitations on purposes for use of monies in particular funds; warrants;
12 vouchers; surplus funds

13 * * *

14 (B)(1)

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16 ~~(f) Pay annually into the Conservation Fund, an amount equal to the~~
17 ~~additional charter fishing fees collected pursuant to R.S. 56:302.1(C)(2)(c) and~~
18 ~~302.9(C)(2)(b) and paid into the treasury by the commission. There is hereby~~
19 ~~created in the Conservation Fund, the Charter Boat Fishing Fund. Such funds~~
20 ~~Monies deposited into the fund shall be used by the department for the promotion of~~
21 ~~the charter boat industry, protection of the fishery, and to provide for administrative~~
22 ~~costs of the fund. Such funds are to be expended for such purposes through the~~
23 ~~Louisiana Charter Boat Association.~~

24 ~~(g) Between June 1, 2014, and May 31, 2018, pay~~ There is hereby created
25 ~~in the Conservation Fund annually into the Conservation Fund, into a special account~~
26 ~~designated as the "Saltwater Fish Research and Conservation Fund", an amount~~
27 ~~equal to the fees collected pursuant to R.S. 56:302.1(C)(1)(c).~~

28 * * *

1 (5)(a) There is hereby created in the Conservation Fund a special account
2 known as the Louisiana Duck License, Stamp, and Print Fund. The treasurer shall
3 pay annually into the Louisiana Duck License, Stamp, and Print Fund all amounts
4 received pursuant to the Louisiana Duck License, Stamp, and Print Program
5 provided for in R.S. 56:151 et seq. and such other funds as are specifically
6 appropriated by the legislature.

7 (b) Half of the monies deposited in the Louisiana Duck License, Stamp, and
8 Print Fund shall be used solely for the following in-state waterfowl management
9 programs and purposes:

10 (i) To acquire lands in Louisiana which have the primary and direct purpose
11 of conserving, restoring, and enhancing migratory waterfowl habitat.

12 (ii) To carry out migratory waterfowl habitat restoration and enhancement
13 projects on lands under the jurisdiction of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and
14 Fisheries.

15 (iii) To fulfill the purposes of Items (i) and (ii) of this Subparagraph, when
16 feasible and when in coastal areas, in a manner which will contribute to the
17 protection of the coastal areas of the state from deterioration and which will enhance
18 the productivity of the coastal marshes.

19 (iv) To acquire lands for wildlife and game management.

20 (v) To make grants, not to exceed ten percent of the program revenues, to the
21 North American Waterfowl Habitat Conservation Plan for the purpose of acquiring,
22 developing, or maintaining migratory waterfowl areas within Louisiana.

23 (vi) To cover the administrative costs associated with the implementation of
24 the Louisiana Duck License, Stamp, and Print Program, not to exceed five percent
25 of the program revenues.

26 (c) Half of the monies deposited in the Louisiana Duck License, Stamp, and
27 Print Fund shall be dedicated by the commission to the development and

1 preservation of breeding grounds for migratory waterfowl under the direction of the
2 Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its discretion.

3 * * *

4 (7)(a) There is hereby created in the Conservation Fund a special fund called
5 the Louisiana Wild Turkey Fund. The monies in the Louisiana Wild Turkey Fund
6 shall be used solely for the programs and purposes associated with the Louisiana
7 Wild Turkey Program ~~as provided by R.S. 56:161 et seq.~~ in the amounts appropriated
8 each year to the department by the legislature.

9 * * *

10 (c) Subject to appropriation, the monies in the Louisiana Wild Turkey Fund
11 shall be used:

12 (i) To acquire lands in Louisiana which have the primary and direct purpose
13 of conserving, restoring, and enhancing wild turkey habitat.

14 (ii) To carry out wild turkey habitat restoration and enhancement projects on
15 lands under the jurisdiction of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

16 (iii) To acquire lands that are suitable for wild turkeys and wild turkey
17 management.

18 * * *

19 (9) There is hereby created within the Conservation Fund a special account
20 known as the "black bear account" ~~which shall consist of those revenues collected~~
21 ~~from the sale of the black bear unlimited license plates provided for in R.S.~~
22 ~~47:463.45.~~ The revenues shall be subject to the same requirements as provided for
23 other revenues placed in the Conservation Fund in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection.
24 The funds in this account shall be used solely for the purpose of conserving,
25 restoring, and enhancing black bear habitat in Louisiana.

26 (10) There is hereby created within the Conservation Fund a special account
27 known as the "quail account" ~~which shall consist of those revenues collected from~~
28 ~~the sale of the Louisiana Quail Forever license plates provided for in R.S. 47:463.46.~~
29 The revenues shall be subject to the same requirements as provided for other

1 revenues placed in the Conservation Fund in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection. The
2 funds in this account shall be used solely for the purpose of conserving, restoring,
3 and enhancing quail habitat in Louisiana.

4 * * *

5 §10.3. Lifetime License Endowment Trust Fund

6 A.(1) Subject to the exception contained in Article VII, Section 9(A) of the
7 Constitution of Louisiana, all funds collected by the commission under the
8 provisions of this Part shall be credited to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund.
9 Out of the funds remaining in the Bond Security and Redemption Fund after a
10 sufficient amount is allocated from that fund to pay all obligations secured by the full
11 faith and credit of the state which become due and payable within any fiscal year, the
12 treasurer shall deposit as provided in Subsection B of this Section, an amount equal
13 to the revenues collected under the provisions of this Part. The funds credited to the
14 Lifetime License Endowment Trust Fund shall be expended as provided in this
15 Section.

16 (2) At any such time as the balance in the fund reaches twenty million
17 dollars and a determination is made by the department that the fund contains
18 sufficient monies to be able to certify all lifetime license holders then those funds in
19 excess of twenty million dollars shall be credited to the Conservation Fund.

20 B. Of the revenues received from the issuance of each lifetime license, one
21 hundred dollars shall be credited to the Lifetime License Endowment Trust Fund,
22 and the remaining funds shall be credited to the Conservation Fund to be used for the
23 purpose of administering and enforcing the provisions of this Chapter or for such
24 other purposes as may be determined by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

25 * * *

26 §103. License ~~required;~~ license books; returns; transfer of license prohibited

27 A. No ~~resident of this state~~ person shall at any time hunt, take, possess, or
28 cause to be transported by any other person any wild bird or any wild quadruped
29 unless he is at the time of such act the lawful holder of an ~~effective~~ valid license for

1 that purpose issued to him by authority of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries
2 Commission.

3 * * *

4 C.(1) In order to hunt, take, possess, or transport deer, or turkey, ~~or bobcat,~~
5 in Louisiana, in addition to a basic hunting license, a person shall be required to
6 purchase and have on his person ~~a big game~~ either a deer license or a turkey license,
7 whichever is the appropriate license. In order to hunt, take, possess, or transport
8 waterfowl in Louisiana, in addition to a basic hunting license, a resident shall be
9 required to purchase and have on his person a ~~duck~~ waterfowl license. ~~The fee for~~
10 ~~an annual resident duck license shall be five dollars and fifty cents. In order to hunt,~~
11 ~~take, possess, or transport turkey in Louisiana, in addition to a big game hunting~~
12 ~~license, a resident shall be required to purchase and have on his person a wild turkey~~
13 ~~license. The fee for an annual resident wild turkey license shall be five dollars and~~
14 ~~fifty cents.~~

15 * * *

16 §109. Wildlife management areas; wildlife refuges; public hunting grounds and
17 recreation areas; notice; signs; hunters with disabilities

18 * * *

19 D.(1) ~~On and after July 1, 1993, a Wild Louisiana Stamp, hunting license, or~~
20 ~~fishing license~~ A valid WMA access permit shall be required for use of department
21 administered lands including wildlife refuges and wildlife management and habitat
22 conservation areas. Persons under ~~sixteen~~ eighteen years of age ~~and sixty years of~~
23 ~~age or older~~ are exempt from this requirement. Persons attending official functions
24 of private, non-profit and charitable organizations recognized as tax exempt under
25 the provisions of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code shall be exempt from this
26 requirement. In addition, traversing through lands administered by the department
27 shall not require a license or permit.

28 (2) Persons using department administered lands for commercial purposes
29 for which the department is paid a royalty or special fee, agents of the state on

1 official business, and persons or groups using department administered lands for
2 purposes other than fishing or hunting who receive, for good cause, a letter of permit
3 from the secretary specifically waiving the permit requirement ~~Wild Louisiana~~
4 ~~Stamp~~, shall be exempt.

5 (3) ~~For an initial violation of failing to possess a Wild Louisiana Stamp,~~
6 ~~fishing license, or hunting license while on department administered lands, as~~
7 ~~required by this Subsection, the violator shall immediately obtain a required stamp~~
8 ~~or license or be required to leave the department administered lands. In such instance~~
9 ~~of an initial violation, the violator shall be given directions to the nearest place where~~
10 ~~such stamp or license may be purchased. After the initial violation, any subsequent~~
11 ~~offenses shall be class one violations as designated in R.S. 56:31. This Paragraph~~
12 ~~shall not apply to violations of hunting or fishing without a license.~~

13 (4) The department shall prominently post and maintain at each entrance to
14 those lands subject to this Subsection a sign stating that all visitors, except those
15 exempt by law, must possess a ~~Wild Louisiana Stamp, a hunting license, a fishing~~
16 ~~license, or a WMA hunting permit~~ WMA access permit, a Sportsman's Paradise
17 license, a lifetime hunting or fishing license, or a license that confers equivalent
18 privileges while on those lands.

19 (5)(a) ~~In addition to other fees and licenses required by law, any person~~
20 ~~between the ages of eighteen and sixty, both inclusive, who hunts on any land~~
21 ~~administered by the department, including wildlife refuges and wildlife management~~
22 ~~and habitat conservation areas, shall purchase and have in his possession a WMA~~
23 ~~hunting permit. Traversing through department-administered lands shall not require~~
24 ~~a permit. The fee for a WMA hunting permit shall be fifteen dollars each year. The~~
25 ~~permit shall be available for purchase beginning June first of each year and will be~~
26 ~~valid from the date of purchase through the following June thirtieth. The permittee~~
27 ~~shall have the permit in his possession whenever engaged in hunting on lands~~
28 ~~administered by the department. Funds collected from the WMA hunting permit shall~~
29 ~~be used for the maintenance and upkeep of wildlife management areas. The secretary~~

1 ~~may exempt for good cause persons or groups of people from the requirements of~~
2 ~~this Paragraph. Such exemption shall be in the form of a letter of permit from the~~
3 ~~secretary. The commission is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations which~~
4 ~~establish the criteria for such exemptions and which otherwise implement this~~
5 ~~exemption.~~

6 ~~(b) A resident between the ages of eighteen and sixty, both inclusive, who~~
7 ~~meets the requirements of R.S. 56:104(A)(8) or (B)(2) shall be exempt from payment~~
8 ~~of the permit fee required by this Paragraph.~~

9 * * *

10 §116. Wild birds and wild quadrupeds; special hunting seasons

11 * * *

12 C.(1) The commission may establish a special deer season for primitive
13 firearms. The taking of deer in such season shall be limited to persons who are
14 licensed in accordance with the provisions of ~~R.S. 56:103(C)(2)~~; R.S. 56:3002. The
15 commission shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations governing such season,
16 including the type and size of weapons used, licenses required, sex of deer to be
17 hunted, and the areas included in the season. In addition to any other weapon
18 restriction the commission may adopt, such rules and regulations shall provide that
19 breech loading rifles with a caliber of .35 or larger may be used during primitive
20 firearms season. The taking of deer during this season shall be limited to still
21 hunting and may be allowed in all or some areas of the state where deer hunting is
22 now or shall in the future be allowed.

23 * * *

24 D.(1) The commission shall establish a special open deer hunting season for
25 youth under eighteen years of age. The taking of deer in such a season shall be
26 limited to a weekend prior to the opening weekend of the regular gun season in all
27 of the applicable zones. ~~Both~~ Properly licensed resident and nonresident youths may
28 participate in this special season. Any youth participating in the special youth
29 hunting season shall be accompanied by one adult eighteen years of age or older, but

1 only the youth may participate in the actual hunting. If the accompanying adult is
2 in possession of a valid ~~hunting license, or a~~ hunter safety certificate, or proof of
3 successful completion of a hunter safety course approved by the department, a youth
4 under ~~sixteen~~ eighteen years of age shall not be required to have ~~any of~~ these items.
5 However, if the accompanying adult is not in possession of ~~any of~~ these items, the
6 youth shall be required to have in his possession either a hunter safety certificate or
7 proof of successful completion of a hunter safety course approved by the department.
8 A youth who is under the age of eighteen shall have in his possession a youth
9 hunting license ~~sixteen or seventeen shall have in his possession a basic hunting~~
10 ~~license and a big game license~~ as required by law. The accompanying adult shall
11 maintain visual and voice contact with the youth at all times.

12 (2) ~~The commission shall establish for 2014 a special open deer hunting~~
13 ~~season on private property for Louisiana residents who are honorably discharged~~
14 ~~veterans of the United States Armed Forces.~~ The commission may ~~thereafter~~
15 establish a special open deer hunting season for Louisiana residents who are
16 honorably discharged veterans of the United States Armed Forces. The taking of
17 deer in such a season shall be limited to a weekend prior to the opening weekend of
18 the regular gun season in all of the applicable zones and shall run concurrently with
19 the open deer hunting season for youth provided for in Paragraph (1) of this
20 Subsection. In order to qualify for the veterans special season, a veteran shall hold
21 and be in possession of either a basic hunting license and a ~~big game deer~~ license,
22 a Sportsman's Paradise license, or an equivalent license that grants both basic
23 hunting and deer privileges and shall be able to provide proof satisfactory to the
24 department of such honorable discharge. The special open deer hunting season
25 authorized pursuant to this Paragraph shall be applicable to hunting on private
26 property only and shall not be applicable to any state-owned or federally-owned or
27 managed property.

28 §116.1. Wild birds and wild quadrupeds; times and methods of taking; penalties

29 * * *

1 C.

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3 (3) There shall be no recreational bag limit on raccoon or opossum hunting
4 during the open trapping season; however, the commission shall establish a
5 recreational bag limit for such hunting during that period of the year when the
6 trapping season is closed. No one shall ~~pelt~~ or sell the skins or carcasses of raccoons
7 and opossums taken during the open trapping season unless he is the holder of a
8 valid commercial trapper's license, ~~which shall be required in addition to his basic~~
9 ~~hunting~~. However, carcasses of raccoons and opossums taken by the holder of a
10 commercial trapper's license on the last day of trapping season may be pelted or sold
11 on the day immediately following the close of the season.

12 * * *

13 SUBPART A-1. LOUISIANA DUCK ~~LICENSE~~, STAMP;
14 AND PRINT PROGRAM

15 §151. Purpose

16 The hunting of migratory waterfowl has long been a source of recreation and
17 tourism in Louisiana. In order to protect and preserve this most valuable asset, the
18 Louisiana Duck ~~License~~, Stamp, and Print Program is created as a means of funding
19 approved projects through sale of a migratory waterfowl license, ~~hereinafter known~~
20 ~~as the "duck license"~~, and sale of duck stamps and prints.

21 * * *

22 §302. Recreational fishing ~~license~~; recreational gear

23 A. A recreational fisherman must purchase and possess the appropriate
24 required license as defined in R.S. 56:3001 ~~basic recreational fishing license~~ in order
25 to use the following gear or to possess ~~fish~~ on the fishing grounds fish which have
26 been caught for recreational purposes:

27 (1) Hook and line (using a rod or fishing pole, hook and line, without a reel
28 and without using artificial bait).

29 (2) Bow and arrow.

- 1 (3) A barbless spear, or a multi-pronged barbed gig.
- 2 (4) Castnets with a radius not to exceed eight feet six inches.
- 3 (5) Frog gigs or catchers.
- 4 (6) Scuba gear.
- 5 (7) Crawfish nets.
- 6 (8) Dip nets.
- 7 (9) Landing nets.
- 8 (10) Minnow traps.
- 9 (11) Crab nets.
- 10 (12) Crab lines.
- 11 (13) Crab Traps: for use of no more than ten crab traps.
- 12 (14) Hoop nets: for use of no more than five hoop nets.
- 13 (15) Oyster tongs: for use of no more than one tong.
- 14 (16) Slat trap: for use of no more than five slat traps.
- 15 (17) Trawls: for use of no more than one trawl less than twenty-five feet in
- 16 length.
- 17 (18) Wire nets: for use of no more than five wire nets.
- 18 (19) Crawfish traps: for use of no more than thirty-five traps.

19 B. ~~In addition to a basic recreational fishing license, a recreational fisherman~~
 20 ~~over the age of sixteen years using any gear listed in R.S. 56:302.3 must purchase a~~
 21 ~~recreational gear license as provided therein. Anyone under the age of sixteen years~~
 22 ~~shall not be required to purchase or possess a gear license. However, any person~~
 23 ~~using crawfish nets, dip nets, landing nets, minnow traps, crab nets, or crab lines for~~
 24 ~~the purpose of taking fish for recreational purposes shall not be required to purchase~~
 25 ~~or possess a basic recreational fishing license or be required to purchase a gear~~
 26 ~~license.~~

27 C. A fisherman taking fish for sale, using any legal gear listed in R.S. 56:305,
 28 or legally taking fish in excess of any limitation as to size, length, or quantity for
 29 recreational fishermen must purchase a commercial fisherman's license, commercial

1 gear license, and vessel license if applicable. This includes recreational fishermen
2 taking fish using any gear listed in R.S. 56:305 ~~for which a recreational gear license~~
3 ~~cannot be obtained pursuant to R.S. 56:302.3~~ and fishermen taking fish for sale using
4 any legal gear.

5 C. No recreational fisherman shall use gill nets, trammel nets, strike nets, or
6 seines, except bait seines in compliance with R.S. 56:323.

7 ~~§302.1. Annual license; temporary license; fees; saltwater fee; exemptions~~ Saltwater
8 fishing; charter fishing

9 A. ~~The cost of the annual basic recreational fishing license is nine dollars~~
10 ~~and fifty cents for residents and sixty dollars for nonresidents, except that residents~~
11 ~~using a rod or fishing pole, hook and line, without a reel and without using artificial~~
12 ~~bait shall pay two dollars and fifty cents per year; however, any person required by~~
13 ~~this Part to possess a basic two dollars and fifty cents license shall be subject to a~~
14 ~~maximum fine of five dollars for not possessing the license as herein required, and~~
15 ~~there shall be no court costs associated with the fine.~~

16 B.(1) ~~In lieu of the basic recreational fishing license, nonresidents may~~
17 ~~purchase a temporary basic recreational freshwater fishing license for a fee of five~~
18 ~~dollars per day.~~

19 (2) ~~The revenues generated from the license fee imposed under this~~
20 ~~Subsection shall be deposited in the Wildlife and Fisheries Conservation Fund and~~
21 ~~shall be dedicated exclusively to the operation of the enforcement division.~~

22 C.(1)(a) ~~In addition to the annual basic recreational fishing license, any~~ Any
23 person fishing in the saltwater areas of the state defined in R.S. 56:322 must
24 purchase and possess both a basic fishing license and a saltwater license or an
25 equivalent license that grants both basic fishing and saltwater fishing privileges. ~~The~~
26 ~~fee for the annual saltwater license is thirteen dollars and for residents and thirty~~
27 ~~dollars for nonresidents.~~

1 B. As a condition of the application for and the granting of the saltwater
2 license, all saltwater finfish caught or transported by the license holder while the
3 license is in effect are presumed to have been taken in the waters of Louisiana.

4 ~~(b) In lieu of purchase of an annual basic recreational fishing license and an~~
5 ~~annual saltwater license, a nonresident may purchase a temporary saltwater license~~
6 ~~valid for the number of days specified by the purchaser at a fee of seventeen dollars~~
7 ~~and fifty cents per day. Such license shall enable the nonresident to fish in the~~
8 ~~saltwater areas of the state for the period of time indicated on the license.~~

9 ~~(c) Between June 1, 2014, and May 31, 2018, in addition to the fee required~~
10 ~~by Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph for purchase of a saltwater fishing license,~~
11 ~~there shall be an additional fee of seven dollars and fifty cents to be paid for each~~
12 ~~license purchased by a resident that shall be credited to the Saltwater Fish Research~~
13 ~~and Conservation Fund, R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(g).~~

14 ~~(b)~~ C. A person fishing with a licensed charter guide on board the vessel may
15 purchase a charter passenger fishing trip license at a fee of five dollars. Such license
16 shall be valid for three consecutive days Charter Three-Day Fishing license in lieu
17 of a basic annual recreational fishing license.

18 ~~(c) In addition to the fee contained in Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, a~~
19 ~~person fishing with a licensed charter guide on board the vessel shall pay a five~~
20 ~~dollar fee which shall be deposited into the Conservation Fund as provided in R.S.~~
21 ~~56:10(B)(1)(f), and which shall be used by the department for promotion of the~~
22 ~~charter boat industry, protection of the fishery, and to provide for administrative~~
23 ~~costs of the fund. Such fees are to be expended for such purposes through the~~
24 ~~Louisiana Charter Boat Association.~~

25 ~~(d)(i) A resident who is totally and permanently disabled and receiving a~~
26 ~~disability benefit from the federal social security system or a disability retirement~~
27 ~~income from a retirement system whose members are exempt from federal social~~
28 ~~security, either pursuant to the Railroad Retirement Insurance Act, 45 U.S.C. §231,~~
29 ~~or because they are employees of a state or a political subdivision of the state that~~

1 ~~has not voluntarily agreed to participate in federal social security under 42 U.S.C.~~
2 ~~§418, may purchase a basic recreational fishing license for a fee of two dollars and~~
3 ~~fifty cents and a saltwater license for a fee of two dollars and fifty cents.~~

4 ~~(ii) A letter from the federal social security administration or retirement~~
5 ~~system granting disability benefits shall be required at time of purchase, along with~~
6 ~~proper identification. Such letter shall be evidence of qualification for the reduced~~
7 ~~fee provided for in this Subparagraph.~~

8 ~~(3) The saltwater license is not required for residents possessing a two~~
9 ~~dollars and fifty cents basic recreational fishing license and using only a rod or~~
10 ~~fishing pole, hook and line, without a reel and without using artificial bait.~~

11 ~~(4) The saltwater license must be purchased and the fee paid irrespective of~~
12 ~~any agreement or provision of law not specifically waiving the license or fee. The~~
13 ~~required saltwater angling license shall not preclude a person from fishing for~~
14 ~~freshwater species of fish south of the designated saltwater line described in R.S.~~
15 ~~56:322(A) or in saltwater lakes and bodies of water designated in R.S. 56:322(B). A~~
16 ~~person may take or possess in such designated saltwater areas, without a saltwater~~
17 ~~angling license, any freshwater species of fish in any number not otherwise~~
18 ~~prohibited by law, provided the person possesses a valid fishing license as otherwise~~
19 ~~required by law. For the purpose of enforcement, the department shall determine by~~
20 ~~rule which species of fish shall be classified as a freshwater species and which shall~~
21 ~~be classified as a saltwater species. Any person, without a valid saltwater angling~~
22 ~~license, that takes a saltwater species of fish as classified by the department from a~~
23 ~~designated saltwater area shall return such fish immediately to the waters from which~~
24 ~~taken without avoidable injury. An enforcement agent or officer of the department~~
25 ~~may inspect a fisherman's catch to insure compliance with this Paragraph.~~

26 D. A person may take or possess a freshwater species of fish while in the
27 saltwater areas designated by R.S. 56:322(B) without the necessity of a saltwater
28 license. The commission shall promulgate by rule the species of fish classified as
29 freshwater species. While in saltwater areas, a person possessing fish other than

1 those designated as freshwater species shall be required to possess either a saltwater
2 fishing license or an equivalent license that grants both basic and saltwater fishing
3 privileges. Any species of fish that is required to be returned to the water shall be
4 returned immediately to the water without avoidable injury from which it was taken.
5 An enforcement agent or officer of the department may inspect a fisherman's catch
6 to ensure compliance with this Paragraph.

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8 §302.10. Sale of recreational catch

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10 B. A violation of this Section shall constitute a class four violation. In
11 addition to the penalties provided in R.S. 56:34, any person convicted of a violation
12 of this Section shall be further penalized as follows:

13 (1) For the first violation, a person shall forfeit his fishing ~~license~~ privileges;
14 and ~~he shall not be issued a recreational license of any type and shall be barred from~~
15 participating in any type of recreational fishing for a period of one year from the date
16 of conviction.

17 (2) For the second violation, a person shall forfeit his fishing privileges
18 ~~license, and he shall not be issued a recreational license of any type and shall be~~
19 barred from participating in any type of recreational fishing for a period of two years
20 from the date of conviction.

21 (3) For the third violation, a person shall forfeit his fishing privileges ~~license,~~
22 and he shall ~~never be issued a recreational license of any type and shall be forever~~
23 barred from participating in any type of recreational fishing.

24 C. Any person who, after being barred, participates in a recreational fishing
25 activity ~~or obtains any recreational fishing license~~ during a time of revocation shall
26 be penalized under the provisions of R.S. 56:37(A)(2), upon conviction.

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1 §325.1. Size and possession limits, recreational saltwater finfish; penalties

2 A.(1) The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission may set by rule, in accordance
3 with the Administrative Procedure Act, daily take, and possession, and size limits for
4 saltwater finfish caught recreationally in Louisiana territorial waters, based on
5 biological and technical data. Aquaculturally raised fish, as ~~defined~~ provided in ~~R.S.~~
6 ~~56:356~~, R.S. 56:411 et seq. shall be exempt from the provisions of this Section.

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8 (3)(a) A recreational saltwater fisherman in possession of a valid basic and
9 saltwater license or an equivalent license that grants both basic fishing and saltwater
10 fishing privileges may possess twice the daily bag limit of red drum and spotted sea
11 trout; however, no person shall be in possession of over the daily bag limit while
12 fishing or while on the water, unless such recreational saltwater fisherman is aboard
13 a trawler engaged in commercial fishing for a consecutive period of longer than
14 twenty-five hours.

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16 C.

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18 (2) In addition to the penalties provided in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection,
19 the following penalties shall apply:

20 * * *

21 (d) Any violation of Subsection A or B of this Section shall, in addition to
22 any applicable fines, also be punishable by revocation of any and all fishing
23 privileges from licenses held by the violator for the period for which they were
24 issued and one year thereafter. ~~The violator shall also be prohibited from obtaining~~
25 ~~any new fishing license for a period of not less than one year nor more than three~~
26 ~~years thereafter.~~

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1 §325.3. Spotted sea trout commercial taking; annual quota; red drum commercial
2 taking, possession, or landing prohibited

3 A.(1) The commission shall establish a maximum annual quota for the
4 commercial harvest of spotted sea trout taken within Louisiana waters or landed in
5 Louisiana which shall not exceed one million pounds nor shall it be less than five
6 hundred thousand pounds. The commercial taking or harvesting of spotted sea trout
7 shall be prohibited within Louisiana waters west of Mermentau River. The Louisiana
8 Wildlife and Fisheries Commission shall establish an open season for the
9 commercial harvest of spotted sea trout which shall run from the second day of
10 January each year until the maximum annual quota is reached. The commercial
11 harvest or taking of spotted sea trout is prohibited during the period from sunset on
12 Friday through sunrise on Monday, and there shall be no possession of spotted sea
13 trout in excess of the recreational limit during the period between 10:00 p.m. and
14 5:00 a.m. However, when not on a commercial fishing trip, a person holding a permit
15 for the commercial taking or possessing of spotted sea trout may take or possess an
16 amount not to exceed the legal recreational limit of spotted sea trout between the
17 hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. during the open season and at any time during the
18 closed season if that person also possesses a basic recreational fishing license and a
19 saltwater fishing license or an equivalent license that grants both basic fishing and
20 saltwater fishing privileges. Only a rod and reel shall be used for the commercial
21 harvest of spotted sea trout. The provisions of this Section are subject to quotas and
22 size limits as established by law and rules and regulations of the commission. Fish
23 taken under recreational licenses shall not be sold, bartered, traded, or exchanged.

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25 §330. Crawfish harvesters; crawfish traps

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1 B. Crawfish may be taken ~~commercially~~ by properly licensed individuals
 2 with approved crawfish traps. The openings of the flues or throats on crawfish traps
 3 shall not exceed two inches.

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5 §500. Recreational possession limit; gear

6 A.~~(1)~~ A recreational fisherman may, in open waters in open season, with a
 7 valid ~~recreational gear license for a trawl issued as provided for in R.S.~~
 8 ~~56:302.3(B)(5)(a);~~ basic fishing license and a saltwater fishing license or an
 9 equivalent license that grants both basic fishing and saltwater fishing privileges use
 10 a trawl not to exceed ~~sixteen~~ twenty-five feet and may take no more than an
 11 aggregate of ~~one two~~ two hundred fifty pounds of shrimp per day to each boat, regardless
 12 of the number of persons thereon, provided the shrimp taken are used for bait or for
 13 the fisherman's own consumption and are not sold, traded, or otherwise permitted to
 14 enter into commerce.

15 ~~(2) A recreational fisherman may, in open waters in open season, with a valid~~
 16 ~~recreational gear license for a trawl issued as provided for in R.S. 56:302.3(B)(5)(b);~~
 17 ~~use a trawl not to exceed twenty-five feet and may take no more than an aggregate~~
 18 ~~of two hundred fifty pounds of shrimp per day to each boat, regardless of the number~~
 19 ~~of persons thereon, provided the shrimp taken are used for bait or for the fisherman's~~
 20 ~~own consumption and are not sold, traded, or otherwise permitted to enter into~~
 21 ~~commerce.~~

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23 ~~§641. Hunting, fishing licenses; Wild Louisiana Stamp; multi-year issuance; fees~~
 24 ~~§641.1. Exclusive licensing authority; rules and regulations~~

25 A. ~~The Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, through its secretary, may, in~~
 26 ~~addition to the issuance of annual individual hunting and fishing licenses and in~~
 27 ~~order to facilitate the distribution of sport hunting and fishing licenses as provided~~
 28 ~~in this Chapter, provide for the issuance of hunting or fishing licenses, or the Wild~~
 29 ~~Louisiana Stamp, on a three year basis, exclusive of any other special licenses~~

1 ~~otherwise authorized by law. The license may be issued on an individual license~~
2 ~~basis or any license combination presently allowed by law. The fee for such~~
3 ~~multi-year hunting or fishing licenses, or the Wild Louisiana Stamp, issued shall be~~
4 ~~the same as the sum of the individual hunting or fishing license, or the Wild~~
5 ~~Louisiana Stamp, or the sum of any combination hunting or fishing license as now~~
6 ~~or hereafter provided by law. The department shall provide for computerized mail~~
7 ~~renewal of all licenses or stamps issued under the provisions of this Section. The~~
8 ~~secretary shall promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate the provisions of this~~
9 ~~Section.~~

10 ~~B. The multiple year license fee collected under the provisions of this~~
11 ~~Section shall, after receipt and deposit in the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries~~
12 ~~Conservation Fund, as required by law, be appropriated on a pro-rata basis to the~~
13 ~~department.~~

14 A. The legislature finds that it is in the best interests of protecting,
15 conserving, and replenishing the wildlife and fisheries resources of the state that the
16 department, through its secretary, shall have authority to provide for the issuance of
17 hunting and fishing licenses through an electronic issuance system.

18 B. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the secretary
19 shall promulgate rules and regulations to implement an automated license issuance
20 system which includes but is not limited to the following nonexclusive authorization:

21 (1) To enter into contracts for the provisions of licensing services.

22 (2) To provide for regulations, qualification criteria, and compensation of
23 licensing agents.

24 (3) To provide for the funding for an automated license issuance system and
25 related services including license agent commissions.

26 (4) To provide for criteria to accept or reject applicants or suspend a
27 licensee.

28 (5) To provide for effective license numbers.

1 (6) To provide that a license may become effective immediately upon
2 issuance of an effective license number.

3 (7) To provide for special lottery-type issues.

4 (8) To enter into agreements for any manner of license issuance, distribution,
5 and compensation therefor, including contingency fee contracts.

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7 §645. Fishing and hunting license checkoff; donation for veterans with disabilities

8 A. Each individual who purchases a fishing or hunting license may make a
9 donation to help provide disabled veterans with hunting and fishing licenses. The
10 donation shall be made at the time of the purchase and shall be made upon the
11 license form prescribed by the secretary.

12 B. There is hereby created within the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
13 a special escrow account known as the "Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Foundation
14 Escrow Account". The escrow account is created to receive deposits of donations
15 made for the benefit of disabled veterans when an individual purchases a fishing and
16 hunting license. The monies in the account shall be used solely to purchase hunting
17 and fishing licenses for disabled veterans. No more than ten percent of the monies
18 in the account shall be used for administrative costs. All unexpended and
19 unencumbered monies in this account at the end of the fiscal year shall remain in the
20 account. The monies in the account shall be invested by the state treasurer in the
21 same manner as monies in the state general fund.

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23 §649.1. Lifetime hunting license

24 A. Any ~~Any~~ Prior to June 1, 2022, any bona fide resident of this state may obtain
25 a lifetime hunting license. The lifetime hunting license shall be in lieu of the
26 following recreational hunting licenses: basic hunting, big game, primitive firearms,
27 bow hunting, the Louisiana duck license, the WMA hunting permit, and the wild
28 turkey license. After June 1, 2022, the license shall no longer be sold, but shall

1 continue to provide to any holder privileges in lieu of basic hunting, deer,
2 waterfowl, and turkey hunting licenses and shall permit WMA access.

3 ~~B. The fee for the lifetime hunting license shall be three hundred dollars.~~
4 ~~The fee for persons thirteen years of age or under shall be two hundred dollars.~~

5 §649.2. Lifetime sports fishing license

6 ~~Any~~ Prior to June 1, 2022, any bona fide resident of this state may obtain a
7 lifetime sports fishing license. The lifetime sports fishing license shall be in lieu of
8 the following recreational and sports fishing licenses: basic recreational fishing and
9 saltwater recreational fishing. ~~The fee for the lifetime sports fishing license shall be~~
10 ~~three hundred dollars. The fee for persons thirteen years of age or under shall be two~~
11 ~~hundred dollars.~~ After June 1, 2022, the license shall no longer be sold, but shall
12 continue to provide to any holder privileges in lieu of a basic fishing, saltwater, crab,
13 and recreational fishing gear licenses and shall permit WMA access for purposes
14 other than hunting.

15 §649.3. Combination lifetime hunting and sports fishing license

16 A. ~~Any~~ Prior to June 1, 2022, any bona fide resident of this state may obtain
17 a combination lifetime hunting and sports fishing license, which shall entitle the
18 licensee to all of the privileges of both the lifetime hunting and lifetime sports
19 fishing licenses provided for in R.S. 56:649.1 and 649.2. ~~The fee for the~~
20 ~~combination lifetime license shall be five hundred dollars. The fee for persons~~
21 ~~thirteen years of age or under shall be three hundred dollars. The fee for a resident~~
22 ~~who is sixty years of age or older shall be fifty dollars.~~ After June 1, 2022, the
23 license shall be in lieu of basic hunting, deer, waterfowl, and turkey hunting licenses,
24 basic, saltwater, crab, and recreational fishing gear licenses, and shall permit WMA
25 access.

26 B. ~~A~~ For any license purchased prior to June 1, 2022, a combination lifetime
27 hunting and sports fishing license holder shall be entitled to the individual gear
28 license privileges under the recreational gear license as provided in R.S. 56:302.3.
29 ~~However, an additional fee shall be levied for lifetime privileges for each~~

1 recreational fishing gear license in an amount that is equal to ten times the cost of an
2 annual license issued under the provisions of R.S. 56:302.3.

3 §649.4. Nonresident combination lifetime hunting and fishing license

4 ~~A. Any~~ Prior to June 1, 2022, any nonresident may obtain a combination
5 lifetime hunting and fishing license which shall entitle the licensee to all of the
6 privileges of both the lifetime hunting and lifetime sports fishing licenses provided
7 for in R.S. 56:649.1 and 649.2. ~~The fee for the nonresident combination lifetime~~
8 ~~license shall be three thousand dollars.~~

9 ~~B.(1) Any nonresident veteran of the armed forces of the United States or a~~
10 ~~reserve component, including the National Guard, who has a permanent~~
11 ~~service-connected disability classification of fifty percent or more, may obtain a~~
12 ~~combination lifetime hunting and fishing license which shall entitle the licensee to~~
13 ~~all of the privileges of both the lifetime hunting and lifetime sports fishing licenses~~
14 ~~provided for in R.S. 56:649.1 and 649.2. The fee for such nonresident combination~~
15 ~~lifetime license shall be three hundred dollars.~~

16 ~~(2) Such nonresident veteran must possess a valid Louisiana birth certificate,~~
17 ~~or provide satisfactory proof of having been a Louisiana resident for at least ten~~
18 ~~years.~~

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20 §649.7. Infant combination lifetime hunting and fishing license

21 ~~The~~ Until June 1, 2022, the department shall make available for persons from
22 birth to five years old who were born in Louisiana a combination lifetime hunting
23 and fishing license. Any such license purchased prior to June 1, 2022, which shall
24 entitle the licensee to all of the privileges of both lifetime hunting and lifetime sports
25 fishing licenses provided in R.S. 56:649.1 and 649.2. ~~The fee for the infant lifetime~~
26 ~~license shall be two hundred dollars.~~ After June 1, 2022, the license shall be in lieu
27 of basic hunting, deer, waterfowl, and turkey hunting licenses, basic, saltwater, crab,
28 and recreational fishing gear licenses, and shall permit WMA access.

29 * * *

1 §678. Hunting reciprocity; Mississippi

2 The holder of a hunting license issued by the state of Mississippi shall have
3 the same rights and privileges to hunt wild game birds and quadrupeds upon islands
4 in and the waters of the Mississippi River and other land resulting from accretion
5 along the Mississippi River where that river forms the boundary between the states
6 of Louisiana and Mississippi as are provided by law for the holder of a Louisiana
7 hunting license. This Section shall only take effect and become operative if, and
8 when the state of Mississippi grants reciprocal privileges to the holders of hunting
9 and fishing or angling licenses issued by the state of Louisiana.

10 §679. Turkey hunting reciprocity

11 The department may negotiate a reciprocal agreement with any state that
12 shares a common boundary with Louisiana if the neighboring state has a similar wild
13 turkey stamp or license requirement and fee. The agreement may permit a resident
14 of the state with which the agreement is made to hunt wild turkey in this state
15 without a Louisiana wild turkey license if the person possesses a wild turkey stamp
16 or license issued by the other state.

17 * * *

18 §1833. Wild Louisiana Guide License

19 A. The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission is authorized to adopt
20 rules and regulations to create and govern a licensing program for persons who
21 conduct outings on department owned lands for purposes other than hunting or
22 fishing ~~for which a Wild Louisiana Stamp may be required pursuant to R.S.~~
23 ~~56:109(D).~~

24 B. The commission may establish a Wild Louisiana Guide License and
25 impose a fee for such license that may not exceed ~~one~~ five hundred dollars annually.

26 C. The commission may require a licensed Wild Louisiana guide to pay to
27 the department a client fee not to exceed ~~two~~ five dollars per trip for each person
28 accompanying the guide on such lands. The guide shall not be required to pay the
29 client fee for those persons who possess a valid Louisiana WMA Access Permit

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1 ~~hunting or fishing license or Wild Louisiana Stamp.~~ The commission may require
2 the guide to submit, along with the payment of the client fees, the names and
3 addresses of persons for which the client fee has been paid.

4 D. Persons accompanying a licensed Wild Louisiana guide for whom the
5 guide is required to pay a client fee pursuant to Subsection C of this Section shall not
6 be required to possess a WMA Access Permit ~~Wild Louisiana Stamp~~ or possess a
7 ~~hunting or fishing license.~~

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9 CHAPTER 14. HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSING AND FEES

10 PART 1. RECREATIONAL LICENSES

11 §3000. Recreational license requirements; definitions

12 A.(1) Any person eighteen years or older engaged in an activity that involves
13 hunting, fishing, or accessing property owned by the department for which a license
14 is required shall have in their immediate possession a valid, original license, or an
15 effective license number, together with a form of personal identification, and shall
16 show such license and identification upon request to a duly authorized agent of the
17 department.

18 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, any
19 person younger than eighteen years of age engaged in an activity that necessitates the
20 use of deer tags or turkey tags, or involves participation in a youth lottery hunt shall
21 have in their immediate possession a valid, original youth license and shall show
22 such license upon request to a duly authorized agent of the department.

23 B. Licenses shall be valid beginning June first of each calendar year and
24 expiring on June thirtieth of the following calendar year. Licenses may be issued
25 beginning June first of each year for the following license year. In the case where
26 an additional license or permit is required for a specific activity or for the taking or
27 possession of certain species of wildlife or fisheries resources, the basic or
28 prerequisite license must be valid in order for the additional license to be valid. No

1 license shall be assigned or transferred to, or used by, any person other than the
2 individual to whom the license was issued.

3 C. Any license found in the possession of a person other than the person to
4 whom the license was issued shall be confiscated by an officer authorized to enforce
5 the provisions of this Part and shall be delivered to the department for cancellation.
6 Any license confiscated under the provisions of this Section shall be considered void.
7 Any violation of this Subsection shall constitute a class three violation punishable
8 as provided in R.S. 56:33.

9 D. Each license shall be effective only during the open season for the
10 particular species of wildlife or fisheries resource authorized to be taken under the
11 provisions of the license.

12 E.(1) No resident license may be issued until valid proof of Louisiana
13 residency has been provided by the applicant. Residents shall meet the residency
14 requirements specified in R.S. 56:8 for bona fide residents.

15 (2) The issuance of a license is conditional upon validation of all information
16 on the application. If the department finds any material misstatement of fact
17 regarding the residency of the applicant, the license shall be void and shall be
18 immediately surrendered to an agent of the department.

19 F. In addition to a person who qualifies as a resident of Louisiana, the
20 following people qualify for resident licenses:

21 (1) Any person who possesses a military identification card that signifies
22 that he is currently on active military duty with any one of the armed forces of the
23 United States, including the National Guard, or the spouse or dependent of such
24 person, may be issued a license for hunting or recreational fishing in Louisiana after
25 payment of the same fee as that required of Louisiana residents for that same license.
26 Any license purchased under the provisions of this Subsection shall be valid only
27 during that time when the person is on active duty in the armed forces of the United
28 States. In addition, the provisions of this Subsection shall not apply to the purchase
29 of lifetime licenses. The military identification card or dependent card and the

1 appropriate license must be on the licensee's person at all times when he is engaged
2 in hunting or fishing activities.

3 (2) A nonresident full-time student who is enrolled in a Louisiana public or
4 private high school or an accredited college or university that has a physical campus
5 in the state of Louisiana may purchase a resident license. The applicant shall show
6 a valid identification card issued by the high school, college, or university indicating
7 current full-time status and, when engaged in the activity authorized by the license,
8 must have both the license and the school identification card on his person.

9 G. A person may qualify for a Senior/Retired Military Hunting and Fishing
10 license as follows:

11 (1) A resident who reaches age sixty prior to June 1, 2000 may obtain an
12 annual Senior license for no cost.

13 (2) A resident who reaches age sixty between June 1, 2000 and May 31,
14 2022 may obtain an annual Senior Hunting and Fishing license for the cost of five
15 dollars.

16 (3) A resident who reaches age sixty-five on or after June 1, 2027 may obtain
17 an annual Senior Hunting and Fishing license for the cost of twenty dollars.

18 (4) Upon application to the department and showing identification and proof
19 of military service satisfactory to the department, any person who is a retired
20 member of the United States Armed Forces, the Louisiana Army National Guard, or
21 the Louisiana Air National Guard and was either born in Louisiana or is a bona fide
22 resident of Louisiana, may obtain an annual license at one-half the cost of an annual
23 resident license.

24 H. Upon identification and proof of disability satisfactory to the department,
25 the following people may be issued a Disabled/Special Needs Hunting and Fishing
26 license:

27 (1) A person who is a veteran of the armed forces, the Louisiana Army
28 National Guard, or the Louisiana Air National Guard, having a permanent service
29 connected disability classification of fifty percent or more.

1 (2) A resident who is blind, paraplegic, or is a single or multiple amputee,
2 or is required to use one or more artificial limbs or permanent braces for mobility as
3 a result of a permanent and total disability.

4 (3) A resident who is totally and permanently disabled and receiving a
5 disability benefit from the federal social security system or a disability retirement
6 income from a retirement system whose members are exempt from federal social
7 security, either pursuant to the Railroad Retirement Insurance Act, 45 U.S.C. 231,
8 or because they are employees of a state or a political subdivision of the state that
9 has not voluntarily agreed to participate in federal social security under 42 U.S.C.
10 418.

11 (4) Any resident of Louisiana who is the surviving spouse of a member of
12 the United States Armed Forces, the Louisiana Army National Guard, or the
13 Louisiana Air National Guard who was killed in action while in a combat zone, upon
14 showing identification and documentation satisfactory to the department.

15 I. Any nonpublic authorized issuing agent that issues any license under the
16 provisions of this Subpart may retain an amount not to exceed fifty cents of the fee
17 collected from the sale of each resident and active duty military license issued and
18 an amount not to exceed one dollar from the sale of each nonresident license issued.
19 The amount to be retained shall be promulgated by the commission.

20 J.(1) The secretary may exempt for good cause persons or groups of people
21 from the license fee requirements of this Part. Such exemption shall be in the form
22 of a letter of permit from the secretary. The commission is authorized to promulgate
23 rules and regulations that establish the criteria for such exemptions and that
24 otherwise implement the provisions of this Subsection.

25 (2) The secretary may, in his discretion and upon such terms and conditions
26 as he may prescribe, issue to accredited representatives of any public park, museum,
27 educational or scientific institution, or of the federal government or any state
28 government, recognized scientist, representative of the entertainment industry or to
29 any other responsible person a permit to take, possess, and transport at any time

1 within and from this state wild birds or the plumage, skins, nests, eggs, or young
 2 thereof and wild quadrupeds, the skins or young thereof; if the secretary is satisfied
 3 that they are to be taken or possessed for scientific, educational, experimental,
 4 entertainment industry, or breeding purposes only and are not to be sold or otherwise
 5 disposed of by the permittee for profit, and if the permittee obligates himself to
 6 deliver to the secretary within sixty days after taking, and in any event before the
 7 removal thereof from the state, a detailed descriptive inventory of the wild birds,
 8 wild quadrupeds, and other things taken under the permit.

9 §3001. Recreational fishing licenses; fees

10 A. Fishing licenses:

11 (1) Resident licenses including bona-fide residents, active and native-born
 12 retired members of the United States armed forces, including National Guard, and
 13 nonresident students.

14 (a) Hook and line license \$5.00/year

15 (allows using a pole, hook and line, without a reel and without using artificial
 16 bait, dip nets, landing nets, minnow traps, crab nets, or crab lines)

17 (b) Basic fishing license \$17.00/year

18 (includes all legal recreational freshwater gear)

19 (c) Saltwater fishing license \$15.00/year

20 (includes all legal recreational saltwater gear)

21 (d) Charter three-day saltwater fishing license \$20.00

22 (e) Charter three-day freshwater fishing license \$10.00

23 (2) Nonresident licenses

24 (a) Basic fishing license \$68.00/year

25 (includes all legal recreational freshwater gear)

26 (b) Saltwater fishing license \$60.00/year

27 (includes all legal recreational saltwater gear)

28 (c) Five-day Basic fishing \$30.00

29 (includes all legal freshwater recreational gear)

1	<u>(d) Five-day Saltwater Fishing</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>
2	<u>(includes all legal saltwater recreational gear)</u>	
3	<u>(e) Charter boat three-day saltwater fishing license</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>
4	<u>(f) Charter boat three-day freshwater fishing license</u>	<u>\$10.00</u>
5	<u>§3002. Recreational hunting licenses; fees</u>	
6	<u>(1) Resident licenses including Louisiana residents, active and reserve</u>	
7	<u>members of the United States armed forces including National Guard, non-resident</u>	
8	<u>students:</u>	
9	<u>(a) Basic hunting license</u>	<u>\$20.00/year</u>
10	<u>(b) Deer hunting license</u>	<u>\$15.00/year</u>
11	<u>(includes deer tags, archery and primitive privileges)</u>	
12	<u>(c) Waterfowl license</u>	<u>\$12.00/year</u>
13	<u>(d) Turkey license (includes tags)</u>	<u>\$12.00/year</u>
14	<u>(e) Youth hunting license</u>	<u>\$5.00/year</u>
15	<u>(required for hunting deer, turkey, trapping, and youth lottery hunts)</u>	
16	<u>(2) Nonresident licenses</u>	
17	<u>(a) Basic hunting license</u>	<u>\$200.00/year</u>
18	<u>(b) Deer hunting license</u>	<u>\$100.00/year</u>
19	<u>(includes deer tags, archery and primitive privileges)</u>	
20	<u>(c) Waterfowl Hunting license</u>	<u>\$50.00/year</u>
21	<u>(d) Turkey Hunting license (includes tags)</u>	<u>\$50.00/year</u>
22	<u>(e) Five-day Basic Hunting license</u>	<u>\$65.00</u>
23	<u>(f) Five-Day Deer Hunting license</u>	<u>\$35.00</u>
24	<u>(g) Five-Day Waterfowl Hunting license</u>	<u>\$35.00</u>
25	<u>(h) Five-Day Turkey Hunting license</u>	<u>\$35.00</u>
26	<u>§3003. Resident and nonresident WMA permits; fees</u>	
27	<u>A. Basic WMA access permit</u>	<u>\$20.00/year</u>
28	<u>B. Five-Day WMA access permit</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>
29	<u>C. WMA camping permit</u>	<u>\$7.00/day</u>

1 §3004. Combination licenses (includes all hunting, fishing and WMA privileges);
2 fees

3 A. Resident licenses including Louisiana residents, active and reserve
4 members of the United States armed forces including National Guard, non-resident
5 students

6 (1) Sportsman's Paradise \$100.00/year

7 (2) Seniors and Retired Military \$20.00/year

8 (3) Disabled and special needs \$5.00/year

9 B. Nonresident:

10 (1) Sportsman's Paradise \$400.00/year

11 (2) Five-Day Blast and Cast \$120.00

12 §3005. Lifetime licenses

13 A. Louisiana resident \$1,000.00

14 B. Nonresident \$4,000.00

15 C. Youth resident (any resident under the age of eighteen) \$500.00

16 D. Senior (any resident sixty five years or older) \$100.00

17 §3006. Violations

18 Except as otherwise provided in this Title, hunting, fishing, or accessing
19 WMAs without the license required by this Subpart shall constitute a Class II
20 violation punishable under the provisions of R.S. 56:32.

21 PART II. REVENUE DEDICATIONS

22 §3007. Dedication of license revenue

23 A.(1) Except as otherwise provided, funds received from the sale of licenses
24 issued under the provisions of this Part shall be deposited into the Conservation
25 Fund.

26 (2) All funds received from the sale of lifetime licenses shall be deposited
27 as provided in R.S. 56:10.3.

28 (3) An amount equal to seven dollars and fifty cents for each Charter Boat
29 fishing license sold shall be deposited pursuant to R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(f).

1 (4) An amount equal to seven dollars and fifty cents for each saltwater
2 fishing license sold shall be deposited each year to the Saltwater Fish Research and
3 Conservation Fund.

4 (5) An amount equal to ten dollars from the sale of each waterfowl hunting
5 license shall be deposited to the Louisiana Duck License, Stamp.

6 (6) An amount equal to the fees collected for each WMA access permit and
7 daily camping permit shall be deposited into the Wildlife Habitat and Natural
8 Heritage Trust as provided for in R.S. 56:1923 and shall be expended solely for land
9 acquisition and for management and operations of wildlife refuges, management
10 areas, and public hunting grounds.

11 (7) An amount equal to seven dollars and fifty cents from the sale of each
12 turkey hunting license shall be deposited to the Wild Turkey Fund.

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14 Section 4. R.S. 34:851.20(N) is hereby repealed in its entirety.

15 Section 5. R.S. 56:302.9.1(D) and 305(C)(3) and (G) are hereby repealed in their
16 entirety.

17 Section 6. R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(d), (6), and (13), 103(E) and (F), 103.1, 104, 105, 155,
18 156, 157, 164, 165, 166, 302.1, 302.2, 302.3, 302.4, 302.5, 302.6, 641.1, 642, 643, 646,
19 647.1, 649.5, 649.6, 650, 650.1, and 1832 are hereby repealed in their entirety.

20 Section 7. Sections 1, 2, 4, 5, and 7 of this Act shall become effective on November
21 15, 2021.

22 Section 8. Sections 3, 6, and 8 of this Act shall become effective on June 1, 2022.

DIGEST

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HB 691 Engrossed

2021 Regular Session

Bacala

Abstract: Restructures the hunting and fishing licensing system for the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries.

Proposed law restructures the recreational fishing and hunting licenses as follows:

<u>Present Resident Privilege</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Proposed Resident Privilege</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Res Hook and Line	\$2.50	Res Hook and Line	\$ 5.00
Res Basic Fishing	\$ 9.50	Res Basic Fishing	\$17.00
Res Rec Wire Net (5)	\$ 20.00		
Res Rec Pipes/Drums (5)	\$ 10.00		
Res Rec Cans/Buckets (5)	\$ 10.00		
Res Hoop Nets (5)	\$ 20.00		
Res Rec Crawfish Traps (35)	\$ 15.00		
Res Rec Slat Traps (5)	\$ 20.00		
Res Rec Crab Traps	\$ 15.00		
Res Saltwater	\$ 13.00	Res Saltwater Fishing	\$15.00
Res Rec Trawl(to 16')	\$ 25.00		
Res Rec Oyster Tong	\$ 5.00		
Resident Rec Trawl(to 25')	\$ 80.00		
R/NR Charter Passenger(3 day)	\$ 10.00	Res Charter (3 day) Saltwater	\$20.00
		Res Charter (3 day) Freshwater	\$10.00
Res Basic Hunting	\$ 15.00	Res Basic Hunt	\$ 20.00
Res Trapper-15 & older	\$ 25.00	Res Youth	\$ 5.00
Res Trapper-14 & Under	\$ 5.00		
Res Big Game	\$ 14.00	Res Deer	\$ 15.00
Res Bow Hunting	\$ 10.50		
Res Primitive Firearm	\$ 10.50		
Res La Duck	\$ 5.50	Res Waterfowl	\$12.00
Res Big Game	\$ 14.00	Res Wild Turkey	\$12.00
Res Wild Turkey	\$ 5.50		
Res La Sportsman's Paradise	\$100.00	Res La Sportsman's Paradise	\$100.00
Res Senior Hunt/Fish (60 or older)	\$ 5.00	Res Senior/Retired Military Hunt/Fish (65 or older)	\$20.00
Hunt/Fish-Disabled	\$ 0.00	Disabled or Special Needs Hunt/Fish Combo	\$ 5.00
Fish - Disabled	\$ 0.00		
Hunt - Disabled	\$ 0.00		
LA Disabled Fishing	\$ 2.50		
LA Disabled Saltwater	\$ 2.50		
Res. Disabled Basic Hunting	\$ 5.00		
Res Disabled Big Game	\$ 5.00		
Res Disabled Bow	\$ 5.00		
Res Disabled Primitive Firearm	\$ 5.00		
Res/Native Ret. Military Hunt/Fish	\$ 5.00		
Res/Surv. Spouse Military KIA Fish	\$ 2.50		
Res/Surv. Spouse Military KIA Hunt	\$ 2.50		
Lifetime Resident Combo 14+	\$500.00	Lifetime Resident Combo	\$1,000.00
Lifetime Resident Hunting 14+	\$300.00		
Lifetime Resident Fishing 14+	\$300.00		
Lifetime Res. Crawfish Traps	\$150.00		

Lifetime Res. Crab Trap	\$100.00		
Lifetime Res. Slat Trap	\$200.00		
Lifetime Res. Trawl(to 16')	\$250.00		
Lifetime Res. Trawl(to 25')	\$800.00		
Lifetime Res. Oyster Tong	\$ 50.00		
Lifetime Res. Wire Net	\$200.00		
Lifetime Res. Pipes/Drums	\$100.00		
Lifetime Res. Cans/Buckets	\$100.00		
Lifetime Res. Hoop Nets	\$200.00		
Lifetime Resident Combo -14	\$300.00	Res Youth Lifetime	\$500.00
Lifetime Resident Hunting -14	\$200.00		
Lifetime Resident Fishing -14	\$200.00		
Lifetime Resident Infant H/F	\$200.00		
Lifetime Resident Senior	\$ 50.00	Res Senior Lifetime	\$100.00

<u>Present Nonresident Privilege</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Proposed NonResident Privilege</u>	<u>Cost</u>
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NR Fish Season	\$ 60.00	NR Annual Basic Fishing	\$ 68.00
NR Rec Wire Nets(5)	\$ 80.00		
NR Rec Pipes/Drums(5)	\$ 40.00		
NR Rec Cans/Buckets(5)	\$ 40.00		
NR Rec Crawfish Traps(35)	\$ 60.00		
NR Rec Slat Traps(5)	\$ 80.00		
NR Hoop Nets(5)	\$ 80.00		
NR Rec Crab Traps(10)	\$ 60.00		

NR Saltwater Fish Season	\$ 30.00	NR Annual Saltwater Fishing	\$ 60.00
NR Rec Trawl(to 16')	\$100.00		
NR Rec Oyster Tong	\$ 20.00		
NR Rec. Trawl (to 25')	\$320.00		

NR Freshwater Fishing Trip(1 day)	\$ 5.00	NR 5-Day Basic Fishing	\$ 30.00
NR Saltwater Trip(1 day)	\$ 17.50	NR 5-Day Saltwater Fishing	\$ 30.00

R/NR Charter Passenger(3 day)	\$ 10.00	NR Charter (3 day) Saltwater	\$20.00
NR Charter Skiff(3 day)	\$ 30.00	NR Charter (3 day) Freshwater	\$10.00

NR Hunting Season	\$150.00	NR Annual Basic Hunting	\$200.00
NR Trapper License	\$200.00		

NR Big Game Season	\$150.00	NR Annual Deer	\$100.00
NR Bow Hunting	\$ 26.00		
NR Primitive Firearm	\$ 26.00		

NR Deer (1-day)	\$ 36.00	NR 5-Day Basic Hunt	\$ 65.00
LA Native NR Hunt(5 day)	\$ 15.00		
LA Native NR BG Game(5 day)	\$ 14.00	&	
LA Native NR Bow(5 day)	\$ 10.50	NR 5-Day Deer	\$ 35.00
LA Native NR Primitive(5 day)	\$ 10.50		

NR LA Duck	\$ 25.00	NR Annual Waterfowl	\$ 50.00
NR Small Game/MigBird(1-day)	\$ 29.00	NR 5-Day Waterfowl	\$ 35.00
LA Native NR Duck(5 day)	\$ 5.50		
NR Big Game Season	\$150.00	NR Annual Wild Turkey	\$ 50.00
NR Wild Turkey	\$ 20.50		

NR Turkey (1-day)	\$ 36.00	NR 5-Day Wild Turkey	\$ 35.00
LA Native NR Turkey(5 day)	\$ 5.50		

NR Student Basic Fishing	\$ 9.50	Treated as Resident Licenses
NR Student Salt Fishing	\$ 5.50	
NR Student Basic Hunting	\$ 15.00	
NR Student Big Game	\$ 14.00	
NR Student Bow	\$ 10.50	
NR Student Primitive Firearm	\$ 10.50	
NR Student Duck	\$ 5.50	
NR Student Wild Turkey	\$ 5.50	
Res/NR Military Fishing	\$ 9.50	
Res/NR Military Saltwater	\$ 5.50	
Res/NR Military Hunting	\$ 15.00	
Res/NR Military Big Game	\$ 14.00	
Res/NR Military Bow	\$ 10.50	
Res/NR Military Primitive Firearm	\$ 10.50	
Res/NR Military Duck	\$ 5.50	
Res/NR Military Wild Turkey	\$ 5.50	

Lifetime NR Combination	\$3,000.00	Lifetime NR	\$4,000.00
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NR Hunting Preserve(10/1 - 4/30)	\$ 15.00	Eliminated
NR Outdoor Press Fish 3-day	\$ 0.00	
NR Outdoor Press Hunt 3-day	\$ 0.00	

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WMA Hunting Permit(age 18-60)	\$ 15.00	WMA Basic Access Permit	\$ 20.00
Wild LA Stamp	\$ 9.50	WMA 5-Day Access Permit	\$ 5.00
Wild LA Stamp(1 day)	\$ 2.00	WMA Camping Permit	\$ 7.00

Present law provides for the Shrimp Marketing and Promotion Fund and the Crab Promotion and Marketing Fund.

Proposed law renames these funds to the Shrimp Development and Management Account and the Crab Development, Management and Derelict Crab Trap Removal Account. Further creates the Oyster Resource Management Account, the Crawfish Development and Management Account, the Louisiana Duck License, Stamp, and Print Fund, the Louisiana Wild Turkey Fund, the Lifetime License Endowment Trust Fund and the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Foundation Escrow Account. Further provides for the disposition of monies.

Proposed law provides for hunting reciprocity with Mississippi to become operative when the state of Mississippi grants reciprocal privileges to the holders of hunting and fishing or angling licenses issued by the state of Louisiana.

Proposed law provides for turkey hunting reciprocity with neighboring states if the neighboring state has a similar wild turkey stamp or license requirement and fee.

Proposed law establishes a classification and fee schedule for certain vessels based on size and authorizes the establishment of a system for identifying paddle craft.

Proposed law authorizes the establishment of a Nuisance Wildlife Control Operator Program

Proposed law establishes or changes commercial fees as follows:

- (1) Hunting Guide license - \$150 for residents, \$600 for nonresident.
- (2) Breeder's license from \$25 to \$50.
- (3) Alligator hunting & Fur trapping from \$25 to \$40 for residents and from \$200 to \$160 for nonresidents.
- (4) Fur Buyer's license from \$25 to \$55 for residents and from \$100 to \$215 for

- nonresidents.
- (5) Fur Dealer's license from \$150 to \$400 for residents and from \$300 to \$800 for nonresidents and no deposit.
 - (6) Nongame quadruped exhibitor license from \$10 to \$20.
 - (7) Nongame quadruped breeder license from \$25 to \$50.
 - (8) Alligator parts dealer license from \$50 to \$105.
 - (9) Alligator parts retailer license from \$5 to \$10.
 - (10) Resident charter boat fishing guide license from \$250 to \$150 (freshwater), \$300 for vessel with 6 passengers or less (saltwater), or \$700 for vessel with more than 6 passengers (saltwater).
 - (11) Nonresident charter boat fishing guide license from \$1,000 to \$1,500, or \$500 (freshwater)
 - (12) Commercial fisherman's license from \$55 to \$110 for residents and from \$460 to \$620 for nonresidents.
 - (13) Resident senior commercial fishing license from \$20 to \$50.
 - (14) Gulf Seafood Traversing & Offloading License \$175 for residents and \$800 for nonresidents.
 - (15) Fresh products license from \$20 to \$75 for residents and from \$120 to \$300 for nonresidents.
 - (16) Oyster harvester license from \$100 to \$15 for residents and from \$400 to \$60 for nonresidents.
 - (17) Vessel license from \$15 to \$70 for residents and from \$60 to \$400 for nonresidents.
 - (18) Shrimp gear license - \$50 per butterfly/skimmer net and \$50 for freshwater shrimp net use.
 - (19) Oyster gear license - \$50 per tong/scrapper.
 - (20) Crab gear license - \$40 for crab trap use.
 - (21) Saltwater finfish gear license - \$300 per mullet/pompano strike net, \$350 rod and reel, \$3,000 per purse seine/menhaden seine, and \$50 cast net use.
 - (22) Crawfish gear license - \$50 for crawfish trap use.
 - (23) Freshwater gear license - \$50 for one shad gill net or one shad seine, or use of other netting specified.
 - (24) Wholesale/retail seafood dealer's license from \$250 to \$750 for residents and from \$1105 to \$3,000 for nonresidents.
 - (25) Retail seafood dealer's license from \$105 to \$375 for residents and from \$405 to \$1,500 for nonresidents.
 - (26) Transport license from \$30 to \$100 per vehicle.
 - (27) Special permit issued for the commercial taking or sale by a commercial fisherman of spotted sea trout from \$100 to \$50 for residents and from \$400 to \$600 for nonresidents.
 - (28) Reptile and amphibian wholesale/retail dealer's license from \$105 to \$220 for a resident and from \$405 to \$880 for a nonresident.
 - (29) Domesticated aquatic organism license from \$15 to \$25 for residents and from \$400 to \$500 for nonresidents.
 - (30) Oyster seed ground vessel permit from \$250 to \$50 for a resident and from \$1,000 to \$200 for a nonresident, plus Public Oyster Seed Ground gear license for \$200 per year for a resident and \$800 per year for a nonresident.
 - (31) Reptile and amphibian collector's license from \$25 to \$55 for a resident and from \$200 to \$420 for a nonresident, and changes the requirement to possess a collector's license for residents from under 16 to under 18 years.
 - (32) Nonresident three-day reptile and amphibian wholesale/retail dealer's license from \$75 to \$150.
 - (33) Reptile and amphibian transport license from \$30 to \$65 per vehicle for a resident and from \$120 to \$250 per vehicle for a nonresident with an application fee for such license from \$200 to \$420.

Proposed law provides that any required species specific culture permit shall cost \$100 and all other species specific permits shall cost \$50. Further provides that mariculture permits shall cost \$500 annually.

Proposed law further changes the date for when a wholesale/retail seafood dealer can purchase a license for the following license year from October 1 to November 15 of the prior year.

Proposed law prohibits the commercial taking or sale by a commercial fisherman of shark except by special permit a cost of \$25.

(Amends R.S. 34:851.2(7) through (13), 851.19, 851.20(A)(1) and (F), 851.32(A), R.S. 56:8(16)(a)(ii) and (b)(i), 10(B)(1)(a)(i), (b), (e), (f), (g), (7)(a), (9), and (10), and (D), 10.1(B) and (C), 103(A) and (C)(1), 109(D), 116(C)(1) and (D), 116.1(C)(3), the heading of Subpart A-1 of Part IV of Chapter 1 of Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, 151, 171(A), 172(B), 251(A)(1) and (3) through (6), 253(C)(1), 258, 262(A), (B), and (D), 263(A), 302, 302.1(Section heading) and (A) through (C), 302.9(A)(1), (C), and (F), 302.9.1(A), (B), and (E), 302.10(B)(1) through (3) and (C), 303(B), (D)(1), and (F), 303.1.1(B), (C), and (E), 303.6(A) and (B), 304(B) and (C), 304.1(B), 305(B) and (C)(1), 305.1(B) and (C), 306(B)(6)(c), 306.1(B)(7)(b) and (c), 306.2(A) and (B), 306.3(B), 307.1(A), 322.1(A), 322.2(A), 325.1(A)(1), (3)(a), and (C)(2)(d), 325.3(A)(1) and (C), 326(E)(2) and (H), 330(B), 412(A)(2) and (5), 433.1(Section heading) and (A)(1), 442(B), 449(B), 492, 494(E)(5) and (F), 500(A), 501(B)(2), 632.4(A)(1) through (3), 632.5(A) and (E), 632.9(B)(1), 641, 649.1, 649.2, 649.3, 649.4, 649.7, 653(A)(introductory paragraph), and 1833; Adds R.S. 34:851.2(14) and 851.21(B)(5), R.S. 56:8(16)(a)(v), 10(B)(4) and (7)(c), 10.3, 102, 112(C), 302.1(D), 303(G), 411(B)(4) through (6), 645, 678, 679 and Chapter 14 of Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, consisting of R.S. 56:3000 through 3007; Repeals R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(d), (6), and (13), 103(E) and (F), 103.1, 104, 105, 155, 156, 157, 164, 165, 166, 302.1, 302.2, 302.3, 302.4, 302.5, 302.6, 641.1, 642, 643, 646, 647.1, 649.5, 649.6, 650, 650.1, and 1832)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment to the original bill:

1. Decrease the cost of a commercial fishing license for residents from \$155.00 to \$110.00.
2. Decrease the cost of the Gulf Seafood Traversing and Offloading License for residents (Federal Exclusive Economic Zone "EEZ") from \$200.00 to \$175.00.
3. Decrease the cost of the commercial vessel license for residents from \$100.00 to \$70.00.
4. Change the crab gear crab trap fee and crawfish gear crawfish trap fee from \$15 plus and additional \$.50 per trap to a flat rate of \$50.00.
5. Provide that \$10.00 per resident commercial shrimp gear license sold and \$40.00 per nonresident commercial shrimp gear license sold annually go into the Shrimp Development and Management Account.
6. Change the amount of revenues collected from the issuance of wholesale out-of state crab shipping licenses to be deposited into the Crab Development, Management and Derelict Crab Trap Removal Account from 10% of revenues to collected to all revenues collected.
7. Change the amount of revenues collected from the issuance of retail out-of state crab shipping licenses to be deposited into the Crab Development, Management and Derelict Crab Trap Removal Account from 10% of revenues collected to all revenues collected.

8. Change the annual fee for a nonresident charter fishing guide license from \$1,000.00 to \$1,500.00.
9. Remove a provision that would have created the "Crawfish Development and Management Account" to collect certain fees for the sale of commercial gear licenses.

10. Remove a provision that would have provided a credit, of revenues collected from the sale of crawfish gear fees, to the Crawfish Development and Management Account.
11. Make technical changes.