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Dove HB No. 293

Abstract: Authorizes the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to promulgate rules relative to certain activities related to commercial and recreational fishing.

Proposed law authorizes the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to promulgate rules to manage recreational landings of fish species managed cooperatively with the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council.

Proposed law also authorizes the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to promulgate rules which would require the use of a vessel monitoring system by oyster harvester vessels taking oysters from the natural public reefs or the public seed grounds or reservations.

Proposed law also provides for a public records exception for data collected pursuant to the vessel monitoring.

(Amends R.S. 44:4.1(B)(33); Adds R.S. 56:6(34) and 433.1(A)(4))