

SENATE BILL NO. 23

BY SENATOR LAMBERT

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 56:306.5(B), relative to seafood dealer receipts; to provide for  
3 transmission to commercial fishermen; to provide for time delays; and to provide for  
4 related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 56:306.5(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §306.5. Records

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9 B.(1) Wholesale/retail seafood dealers purchasing or acquiring fish from  
10 commercial fisherman shall complete a commercial receipt form. The commercial  
11 receipt form shall be a three-part form signed by both the commercial fisherman and  
12 the wholesale/retail seafood dealer or his designee, attesting to that the information  
13 required to be provided by each is correct. One part of the receipt form shall be  
14 retained by the wholesale/retail seafood dealer, one part shall be ~~given~~ **transmitted**  
15 to the commercial fisherman ~~at the time~~ **within twenty-four hours** of the  
16 transaction, and one part shall be transmitted to the secretary of the Department of  
17 Wildlife and Fisheries as provided for in R.S. 56:306.6.

18 (2) The wholesale/retail seafood dealer is responsible for recording on the  
19 commercial receipt form that information provided by the commercial fisherman as  
20 specified in R.S. 56:303.7, and is responsible for the following information ~~at the~~  
21 ~~time of~~ **within twenty-four hours of each** purchase or transfer of possession of ~~the~~  
22 ~~a~~ catch from a commercial fisherman to a wholesale/retail seafood dealer:  
23 wholesale/retail seafood dealer's name and license number, commercial fisherman's

1 name, license number and signature, transaction date, species identification, quantity  
2 and units of each species, size and condition of each species, unit price of each  
3 species, and permit number for species requiring a permit to harvest.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_