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HOUSE BILL NO. 332

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WILDLIFE & FISHERIES CMN: Changes the frequency of mullet stock assessments

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 56:333(G)(1), relative to the frequency of mullet stock
3	assessments; to require the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to conduct a stock
4	assessment on mullet every five years; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 56:333(G)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
7	§333. Mullet; saltwater areas
8	* * *
9	G.(1) Beginning March 1, 2025, and every five years thereafter, the The
10	commission shall make an annual <u>a</u> peer reviewed and evaluated report to the
11	legislature no later than March first that contains the following information on
12	mullet:
13	(a) The spawning potential ratio.
14	(b) A biological condition and profile of the species and stock assessment.
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## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Changes the required frequency of the mullet stock assessment conducted by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission from every year to every five years.

<u>Present law</u> requires that the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission conduct an assessment of the mullet stock annually. <u>Proposed law</u> changes the requirement of the stock assessment <u>from</u> annually <u>to</u> every five years.

(Amends R.S. 56:333(G)(1))