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**HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2024 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment to Original House Bill No. 661 by Representative Bryant

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "reenact" change "R.S. 56:302.9(A)(1)(b) and (3)" to "R.S. 56:302.9(A)(1) and (2)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 3, after "fishing guides;" delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 4 and 5 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof "to require commercial marine insurance for charter"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 8, after "Section 1." change "R.S. 56:302.9(A)(1)(b) and (3)" to "R.S. 56:302.9(A)(1) and (2)"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, delete lines 11 and 12 and insert the following:

"A.(1)(a) No person shall act as nor represent himself to be a saltwater charter boat fishing guide unless that person possesses a valid state charter boat fishing guide license, a valid captain's license issued by the United States Coast Guard, proof of ~~liability~~ commercial marine insurance, and a valid state recreational fishing license that grants fishing privileges appropriate for his charter activity. In addition, any person acting as a saltwater charter boat fishing guide who is in charge of the operation of a vessel shall have his required licenses and proof of ~~liability~~ commercial marine insurance on his person while on the water. It shall not be a violation of this Section for a person to represent himself as a charter boat fishing guide if that person held a valid license during the previous thirty days but has not renewed the license."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, line 15, after "license," and before "proof" delete "a valid captain's license issued by the United States Coast Guard,"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 1, at the beginning of line 16, delete "liability" and insert "commercial marine"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 1, line 19, after "proof of" and before "insurance" delete "liability" and insert "commercial marine"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 2, line 2, after "license." insert the following:

"The department shall provide written notification to the holder of a license issued pursuant to this Subparagraph that the holder may be subject to other

1 requirements of law, including holding a valid captain's license issued by the United  
2 States Coast Guard."

3 AMENDMENT NO. 9

4 On page 2, between lines 5 and 6, insert the following:

5 "(2) The ~~liability~~ commercial marine insurance required by this Subsection  
6 shall be written by an insurance company with at least an A- rating in the latest  
7 printing of the A.M. Best's Key Rating Guide and in a sufficient amount to protect  
8 the public as determined by the commission."

9 AMENDMENT NO. 10

10 On page 2, delete lines 7 through 13 in their entirety.