

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 195 (HB 134)

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New law creates the Landscape and Fishery Equipment and Agricultural Fairness Act.

New law defines "agricultural machinery" as any machine or equipment, including a leaf blower, designed for agricultural use or landscaping that is used in accordance with traditional farm practices and is powered by an engine or a motor.

New law defines "fishery equipment" as any equipment used in fisheries operations and generally accepted fisheries practices pursuant to present law (R.S. 56:640.2). Specifies that this term includes, but is not limited to, fish processing machines and machines used for marine, freshwater, and aquaculture species.

New law defines "fuel used in agricultural machinery" to include motor fuel, petroleum products, blended fuel, diesel fuel, and gasoline.

New law prohibits regulations by any local governmental subdivision regarding the use, disposition, or sale or any imposition of a restriction, fee, or tax on fuel used in agricultural machinery and fishery equipment.

New law prohibits any ordinance or regulation by a local government that creates differing standards for fuel used in agricultural machinery and fishery equipment from other fuel or agricultural and fishery equipment.

New law exempts the use of agricultural machinery and fishery equipment owned by a parish or municipality.

Effective August 1, 2024.

(Adds R.S. 33:5091-5093)