
DIGEST

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HB 721 Engrossed

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Abstract: Allows commercial shrimpers to start trawling at 5:30 a.m. in Vermilion Bay, East Cote Blanche Bay, and West Cote Blanche Bay during any open shrimp season even if 5:30 a.m. would be more than 30 minutes before sunrise.

Present law prohibits the taking of shrimp at night in certain inside waters of the state. Specifies that the prohibition applies from 30 minutes after sunset to 30 minutes before sunrise.

Proposed law provides an exception that allows commercial shrimpers to begin trawling in Vermilion Bay, East Cote Blanche Bay, and West Cote Blanche Bay at 5:30 a.m. during any open shrimp season.

(Amends R.S. 56:499.4.)