

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 444 (HB 886)

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Orgeron

Existing law requires the commission to promulgate rules and regulations that require companies taking menhaden by vessels equipped with purse seines for the purpose of reduction fishing to submit monthly reports that include location data, estimated volume of harvest, the size of the menhaden, the form for reporting, and procedures to preserve the confidentiality of the data in compliance with federal procedures.

New law provides an exception to confidentiality requirements for reports received by a legislative committee pursuant to existing law.

Prior law required monthly reporting, to include the length of the menhaden estimated based on a sample of the harvest, the size of the sample, and the method used to estimate the length.

New law removes the prior law reporting requirements.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Adds R.S. 56:325.5(D); Repeals R.S. 56:325.5(A)(1)(c))