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2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 4

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BY REPRESENTATIVE BISHOP

FISHING/RECREATIONAL: Extends the additional saltwater fishing fee dedicated to the LACREEL program

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 56:302.1(C)(1)(c), relative to saltwater fishing licenses; to
3	extend the applicability of an additional fee for purchase of a saltwater fishing
4	license; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 56:302.1(C)(1)(c) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
7	follows:
8	§302.1. Annual license; temporary license; fees; saltwater fee; exemptions
9	* * *
10	C.(1)
11	* * *
12	(c) Between June 1, 2014, and May 31, 2018 2022, in addition to the fee
13	required by Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph for purchase of a saltwater fishing
14	license, there shall be an additional fee of seven dollars and fifty cents to be paid for
15	each license purchased by a resident that shall be credited to the Saltwater Fish
16	Research and Conservation Fund, R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(g).
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DIGEST

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Abstract: Extends the applicability of the additional fee for a saltwater fishing license.

<u>Present law</u> requires payment of a \$5.50 fee for a saltwater fishing license for residents and \$30 for nonresidents. Further requires that from June 1, 2014 through May 31, 2018, an additional fee of \$7.50 be paid for each resident saltwater fishing license issued and dedicates the revenue from the additional fee to the Saltwater Fish Research and Conservation Fund which is used solely for the administration and conducting of the Louisiana Recreational Creel Survey (LACREEL) and the Recreational Offshore Landing Permit (ROLP) program.

<u>Proposed law</u> extends the applicability date for the additional fee <u>from</u> May 31, 2018 <u>to</u> May 31, 2022.

(Amends R.S. 56:302.1(C)(1)(c))