

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 691

BY REPRESENTATIVE BACALA

WILDLIFE/FEES: Provides relative to fee increases for the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 34:851.20(A)(1) and 851.32(A), R.S. 56:8(16)(a)(ii) and (b)(i),

3 10(B)(1)(a)(i), (e), (f), and (g), (5), (7)(a), (9), and (10), and (D), 10.1(B) and (C),

4 103(A) and (C)(1), 104(A)(7), 109(D), 116(C)(1) and (D), 116.1(C)(3), the heading

5 of Subpart A-1 of Part IV of Chapter 1 of Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes

6 of 1950, 151, 171(A), 172(B), 251(A)(1) and (3) through (6), 253(C)(1), 258,

7 262(A), (B), and (D), 263(A), 302, 302.1(Section heading) and (A) through (C),

8 302.9(A)(1), (C), and (F), 302.9.1(A), (B), and (E), 302.10(B)(1) through (3) and

9 (C), 303(B), (D)(1), and (F), 303.1.1(B), (C), and (E), 303.6(B), 304(B) and (C),

10 304.1(B), 305(B) and (C)(1), 305.1(B) and (C), 306(B)(6)(c), 306.1(B)(7)(b) and (c),

11 306.2(A) and (B), 306.3(B), 307.1(A), 322.1(A), 322.2(A), 325.1(A)(1), (3)(a), and

12 (C)(2)(d), 325.3(A)(1) and (C), 326(E)(2) and (H), 330(B), 412(A)(2) and (5),

13 433.1(Section heading) and (A)(1), 442(B), 449(B), 492, 494(E)(5) and (F), 500(A),

14 501(B)(2), 632.4(A)(1) through (3), 632.5(A) and (E), 632.9(B)(1), 641, 649.1,

15 649.2, 649.3, 649.4, 649.7, 653(A)(introductory paragraph), and 1833, to enact R.S.

16 56:8(16)(a)(v), 10(B)(4) and (7)(c), 10.3, 102, 112(C), 302.1(D), 303(G), 411(B)(4)

17 through (6), 645, 678, 679, and Chapter 14 of Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised

18 Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 56:3000 through 3007, and to repeal R.S.

19 34:851.20(N), R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(d), (6), and (13), 103(E) and (F), 103.1, 104, 105,

20 155, 156, 157, 164, 165, 166, 302.1, 302.2, 302.3, 302.4, 302.5, 302.6, 302.9.1(D),

1 303.6(A)(2), 305(C)(3) and (G), 641.1, 642, 643, 646, 647.1, 649.5, 649.6, 650,
2 650.1, and 1832, relative to licenses to hunt and fish; to restructure the recreational
3 hunting and fishing licensing system for the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries;
4 to provide relative to the cost of hunting and fishing licenses; to dedicate revenues
5 from the sale of hunting and fishing licenses; to provide for definitions; to create the
6 Shrimp Development and Management Account, Crab Development, Management
7 and Derelict Crab Trap Removal Account, Oyster Resource Management Account,
8 Louisiana Duck License, Stamp, and Print Fund, Louisiana Wild Turkey Fund,
9 Lifetime License Endowment Trust Fund and the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries
10 Foundation Escrow Account; to provide for hunting reciprocity; to provide for digital
11 credentials; and to provide for related matters.

12 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

13 Section 1. R.S. 34:851.20(A)(1) and 851.32(A) are hereby amended and reenacted
14 to read as follows:

15 §851.20. Identification number

16 A.(1) The owner of each motorboat, houseboat, or sailboat requiring
17 numbering by this state shall file an application for a number with the Department
18 of Wildlife and Fisheries on forms approved by the department. The application
19 shall be signed by the owner of the motorboat, houseboat, or sailboat and shall be
20 accompanied by the appropriate fee as follows:

21 (a) For ~~a boat that is fourteen feet or less~~ Class A vessels measuring less than
22 sixteen feet in length, the fee shall be ~~twenty~~ thirty-six dollars and shall be valid for
23 three years.

24 (b) For ~~a boat that is more than fourteen feet and less than eighteen feet in~~
25 ~~length~~, Class 1 vessels measuring sixteen feet or more and less than twenty-six feet
26 in length the fee shall be ~~twenty-five~~ fifty-seven dollars and shall be valid for three
27 years.

28 (c) For ~~a boat that is eighteen feet in length or greater~~, Class 2 vessels
29 measuring twenty-six feet or more and less than forty feet in length the fee shall be

1 ~~thirty dollars plus an additional two dollars for each foot or portion of a foot in~~
2 ~~length greater than eighteen feet~~ seventy-eight dollars and shall be valid for a period
3 of three years.

4 (d) ~~Beginning January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2023, inclusive of~~
5 ~~both dates, in addition to the fee otherwise required by this Paragraph, a fee of nine~~
6 ~~dollars shall accompany any application or renewal for numbering a motorboat or~~
7 ~~sailboat.~~ For Class 3 vessels measuring forty feet in length or greater the fee shall
8 be ninety-nine dollars and shall be valid for a period of three years.

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10 §851.32. Disposition of funds

11 A.~~(1)~~ Funds accruing to the state of Louisiana from registration fees paid by
12 owners of motorboats and sailboats shall be paid into the state treasury and shall be
13 credited to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund. Out of the funds remaining in
14 the Bond Security and Redemption Fund, after a sufficient amount is allocated from
15 that fund to pay all obligations secured by the full faith and credit of the state which
16 become due and payable within any fiscal year, the treasurer shall, prior to placing
17 such remaining funds in the State General Fund, pay into the ~~Conservation Fund of~~
18 ~~the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission~~ Aquatic Plant Control Fund an
19 amount equal to the total amount, ~~less the amounts provided in Paragraph (2) of this~~
20 ~~Subsection,~~ of the sums recovered as fees for motorboat and sailboat registrations in
21 R.S. 34:851.20 and 851.23 ~~for the purpose of administering and enforcing the~~
22 ~~provisions of this Part or for such other purposes as may be determined by said~~
23 ~~commission.~~

24 (2) ~~The treasurer shall pay an amount equal to nine dollars of every fee~~
25 ~~collected for registering a motorboat and sailboat pursuant to R.S.~~
26 ~~34:851.20(A)(1)(d) into the Aquatic Plant Control Fund created by R.S. 56:10.1.~~

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28 Section 2. R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(a)(i), (e), and (D), 10.1(B) and (C), 171(A), 172(B),
29 251(A)(1) and (3) through (6), 253(C)(1), 258, 262(A), (B), and (D), 263(A), 302.9(A)(1),

1 (C), and (F), 302.9.1(A), (B), and (E), 303(B), (D)(1), and (F), 303.1.1(B), (C), and (E),
 2 303.6(B), 304(B) and (C), 304.1(B), 305(B) and (C)(1), 305.1(B) and (C), 306(B)(6)(c),
 3 306.1(B)(7)(b) and (c), 306.2(A) and (B), 306.3(B), 307.1(A), 322.1(A), 322.2(A), 325.3(C),
 4 326(E)(2) and (H), 412(A)(2) and (5), 433.1(Section heading) and (A)(1), 442(B), 449(B),
 5 492, 494(E)(5) and (F), 501(B)(2), 632.4(A)(1) through (3), 632.5(A) and (E), 632.9(B)(1),
 6 and 653(A)(introductory paragraph) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.
 7 56:10(B)(4), 102, 112(C), 303(G), and 411(B)(4) through (6) are hereby enacted to read as
 8 follows:

9 §10. Annual report to governor; estimate of proposed expenditures; particular funds;
 10 limitations on purposes for use of monies in particular funds; warrants;
 11 vouchers; surplus funds

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13 B.(1)

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15 (a)(i) Pay annually into a special fund created in the state treasury and
 16 designated as the Seafood Promotion and Marketing Fund an amount equal to the
 17 total of thirty dollars per resident commercial fisherman's license fee, ~~five dollars per~~
 18 ~~license fee and gear fee per annum paid into the treasury by the commission derived~~
 19 ~~from the increase in each of the commercial fisheries license fees imposed by Acts~~
 20 ~~1984, No. 230 or derived from the fee or fees imposed on any commercial fisheries~~
 21 ~~license established on or after January 1, 1984. This includes five dollars per~~
 22 ~~commercial fisherman's license fee, gear fee, wholesale/retail dealer's license fee,~~
 23 ~~vessel license fee, and transport license fee pursuant to Part VI of Chapter 1 of Title~~
 24 ~~56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950.~~

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26 (e) Pay annually into a special fund created in the state treasury and
 27 designated as the "Crab ~~Promotion and Marketing Fund~~ Development, Management,
 28 and Derelict Crab Trap Removal Account" an amount equal to the fees specified for
 29 deposit in R.S. 56:305(B)(2) and (C)(1), 306(B)(6), and 306.1(B)(7). All

1 expenditures and allocations of monies from this ~~fund~~ account shall be administered
2 by the department in consultation with the Crab Task Force. The Crab Development,
3 Management, and Derelict Crab Trap Removal Account is intended to defray the
4 cost of the crab program within the department and support the functions of the Crab
5 Task Force, specifically to assist in funding salaries and financial support including
6 associated indirect costs for employees in the crab program, the management of the
7 crab population, law enforcement activities associated with crab industry, research
8 on all aspects involved with the crab resource and industry, administration and
9 implementation of the Derelict Crab Trap Removal Program, marketing programs
10 recommended by the Crab Task Force, and authorized activities of the Crab Task
11 Force. The task force may contract with the Louisiana Seafood Promotion and
12 Marketing Board to promote the Louisiana crab industry.

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14 (4)(a) There is hereby created within the Conservation Fund a special account
15 designated as the "Oyster Resource Management Account" which shall consist of
16 those revenues collected from the sale of commercial oyster gear licenses pursuant
17 to R.S. 56:305(B)(3) and (8) and (C)(1), the sale of oyster cargo vessel permits
18 pursuant to R.S. 56:422, all revenues received from the payment of lease rentals
19 pursuant to R.S. 56:428, and the fees collected from the sale of public oyster seed
20 ground vessel permits and associated gear fees pursuant to R.S. 56:433.1.

21 (b) The secretary is authorized to assess, invoice, demand, accept, and receive
22 funds or materials as compensation for damages or impacts associated with activities
23 occurring on or over the public oyster seed grounds, seed reservations, and tonging
24 areas.

25 (c) The revenues shall be subject to the same requirements as provided for
26 other revenues placed in the Conservation Fund in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection.

27 (d) All expenditures and allocation of monies from this fund shall be
28 administered by the department. The Oyster Resource Management Account is
29 intended to defray the cost of the oyster program within the department, specifically

1 to assist in funding salaries and financial support including associated indirect costs
 2 for employees in the oyster program, the management of the oyster population, law
 3 enforcement activities associated with oyster industry, research on all aspects
 4 involved with the oyster resource and industry, enhancement of the state's public
 5 oyster seed grounds, research into propagation and habitat, oyster hatchery
 6 operations, and the administrative functions of the oyster lease and survey section
 7 of the department.

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9 D. All unexpended and unencumbered monies in the ~~Louisiana Seafood~~
 10 ~~Promotion and Marketing Fund, the Oyster Development Fund, the Shrimp~~
 11 ~~Marketing and Promotion Fund, the Crab Promotion and Marketing Fund, the~~
 12 ~~Louisiana Duck License, Stamp, and Print Fund, the Louisiana Wild Turkey Fund,~~
 13 ~~and the Conservation Fund~~ funds or accounts established in this Section at the end
 14 of the fiscal year shall remain in the respective funds. The monies in the funds shall
 15 be invested by the treasurer in the same manner as monies in the state general fund.
 16 All interest earned on monies invested by the treasurer shall be deposited in the
 17 respective funds. The state treasurer shall prepare and submit to the department on
 18 a quarterly basis a printed report showing the amount of money contained in the
 19 funds from all sources.

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21 §10.1. Aquatic Plant Control Fund; creation; uses

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23 B. After compliance with the requirements of Article VII, Section 9(B) of
 24 the Constitution of Louisiana relative to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund,
 25 and after a sufficient amount is allocated from that fund to pay all of the obligations
 26 secured by the full faith and credit of the state which become due and payable within
 27 any fiscal year, the treasurer shall pay into the Aquatic Plant Control Fund an amount
 28 equal to the monies received by the state treasury pursuant to the provisions of ~~R.S.~~
 29 ~~47:462(B)(2)(c)~~ R.S. 34:851.20(A)(1) and 851.23 and R.S. 47:462(B)(2)(c) and R.S.

1 30:961(K). If revenue credited to the Aquatic Plant Control Fund exceeds five
 2 million dollars annually, the state treasurer is authorized and directed to transfer any
 3 funds in excess of five million dollars to the Conservation Fund. The monies in this
 4 fund shall be used solely as provided in Subsection C of this Section and only in the
 5 amount appropriated by the legislature. All unexpended and unencumbered monies
 6 remaining in this fund at the end of the fiscal year shall remain in the fund. The
 7 monies in the fund shall be invested by the state treasurer in the same manner as
 8 monies in the state general fund and all returns of such investment shall be deposited
 9 to the fund.

10 C. Subject to an annual appropriation by the legislature, the monies in the
 11 Aquatic Plant Control Fund shall be used solely by the office of fisheries,
 12 Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, to fund the aquatic plant control program and
 13 to fund cooperative research and public education efforts by the Department of
 14 Wildlife and Fisheries ~~and the Louisiana State University Agricultural Center~~
 15 ~~relative to aquatic weed control and eradication and aquatic invasive species control~~
 16 ~~and eradication. An amount not to exceed fifteen percent of the annual appropriation~~
 17 ~~shall be used to fund research and public education efforts relative to aquatic weed~~
 18 ~~control and eradication by the Louisiana State University Agricultural Center.~~ The
 19 funds appropriated pursuant to the provisions of this Section shall be in addition to
 20 any other amounts appropriated by the legislature.

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22 §102. Hunting guide license; fees; penalties

23 A. No person shall act as nor represent himself to be a hunting guide unless
 24 that person possesses a valid hunting guide license, proof of liability insurance, and
 25 a valid state recreational hunting license that grants hunting privileges appropriate
 26 for his client's guided hunting activity. In addition, any person acting as a hunting
 27 guide who is in charge of the operation of a vessel shall have a valid captain's license
 28 issued by the United States Coast Guard.

1 B.(1) The annual fee for a resident hunting guide license is one hundred fifty
2 dollars.

3 (2) The annual fee for a nonresident hunting guide license is six hundred
4 dollars.

5 C. A hunting guide license is valid for one year, beginning on July first of
6 each calendar year and expiring on June thirtieth of the following calendar year.

7 D. A hunting guide license may be purchased at any time of the year for the
8 current license year and from June first for the immediately following license year.

9 E. A hunting guide license shall be issued by the department during normal
10 working hours and may be purchased in person at the Baton Rouge office, or at any
11 other location designated by the department.

12 F. The fees derived pursuant to this Section shall be placed in the
13 Conservation Fund.

14 G. A violation of any provision of this Section shall constitute a class four
15 violation under the provisions of R.S. 56:34.

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17 §112. Disposal of birds or quadrupeds becoming a nuisance

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19 C. The commission is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations in
20 accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to establish a Nuisance Wildlife
21 Control Operator Program. The program shall establish guidelines to permit
22 individuals who offer commercial services for the control of nuisance wildlife. The
23 fee for a nuisance wildlife control operator permit shall be fifty dollars.

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25 §171. Wildlife; business of raising and selling; breeder's license

26 A. Whoever desires to engage in raising, selling, or raising and selling
27 domestic white-tailed deer or other domesticated deer native to North America;
28 squirrels, rabbits, or other wild game quadrupeds; pheasants, quail, doves, or other
29 domesticated wild game birds; domesticated wild waterfowl, resident or migratory;

1 or their parts, on breeding farms or propagating preserves of which he is the owner
2 or lessee, shall apply to the secretary for a license to do so. Provided that
3 commission requirements have been satisfied, including payment of a fee of ~~twenty-~~
4 ~~five~~ fifty dollars, a license shall be issued permitting the applicant to breed and
5 propagate such animals and sell them alive, or in the case of domesticated wild game
6 birds, to sell their parts and to kill and transport them and sell their carcasses for
7 food, as hereinafter provided in this Subpart.

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9 §172. Killing of birds or animals; sale; trapping regulations; exporting live
10 specimens

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12 B. Wild nongame quadrupeds raised on such licensed breeding farms or
13 preserves may be taken for their pelts only in the open seasons, as prescribed by law.
14 Special parish closed seasons do not apply to such licensed breeders or propagators.
15 ~~The tax, as fixed by law, shall be paid before the raw pelts are shipped out of the~~
16 ~~state and a written affidavit as to the number and kinds shipped out of the state shall~~
17 ~~be furnished the secretary monthly during the open season on such quadrupeds.~~

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19 §251. Licenses; possession limit for nonresident alligator hunter; deposit as
20 guarantee of payment of severance tax; penalties

21 A. The following license fees shall be levied on each fur trapper, alligator
22 hunter, fur buyer, and fur dealer:

23 (1) Every resident fur trapper, ~~fifteen~~ eighteen years of age or older, before
24 commencing the business of trapping furbearing animals, shall secure annually from
25 the department a trapper's license, which shall be furnished upon the payment of
26 ~~twenty-five~~ forty dollars. Every resident fur trapper under the age of ~~fifteen~~ eighteen
27 years, before commencing the business of trapping furbearing animals, shall secure
28 annually from the department a recreational youth hunting license. ~~trapper's license,~~
29 ~~which shall be furnished upon the payment of five dollars.~~ Every nonresident fur

1 trapper, before commencing the business of trapping furbearing animals, shall secure
2 annually from the department a nonresident trapper's license, which shall be
3 furnished upon the payment of ~~two~~ one hundred sixty dollars. Every resident and
4 nonresident fur trapper must at all times have this license in possession while
5 trapping or selling pelts or animals. The secretary of the department is hereby
6 authorized to enter into reciprocal agreements with any state with respect to
7 nonresident license fees for the trapping of furbearing animals.

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9 (3) Every resident fur buyer shall, before commencing business, procure
10 annually from the department a resident fur buyer's license, which shall be furnished
11 upon the payment of ~~twenty-five~~ fifty-five dollars and the filing of an application
12 approved by the department.

13 (4) Every nonresident fur buyer shall before commencing business procure
14 annually from the department a nonresident fur buyer's license, which shall be
15 furnished upon the payment of ~~one hundred~~ two hundred fifteen dollars, and the
16 filing of an application approved by the department. Every resident and nonresident
17 fur buyer must at all times have this license in possession while operating his
18 business.

19 (5) Every resident fur dealer shall, before commencing business, procure
20 annually from the department a resident fur dealer's license, which shall be furnished
21 upon the payment of ~~one hundred fifty~~ four hundred dollars ~~and a deposit of five~~
22 ~~hundred dollars, to guarantee payment of the severance tax on raw furs and skins,~~
23 and the filing of an application approved by the department.

24 (6) Every nonresident fur dealer shall before commencing business procure
25 annually from the department a nonresident fur dealer's license, which shall be
26 furnished upon the payment of ~~three~~ eight hundred dollars, ~~and a deposit of one~~
27 ~~thousand dollars to guarantee payment of the severance tax on raw furs and skins,~~
28 and the filing of an application approved by the department. Every resident and

1 nonresident dealer must at all times have this license in possession or prominently
2 displayed while operating his business.

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4 §253. Shipping raw furs, alligators, alligator skins, and alligator parts out of state;
5 tags

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7 C.(1) Every resident fur dealer, trapper, alligator hunter, alligator farmer,
8 nonresident fur dealer, or nonresident alligator hunter before shipping raw furs,
9 alligators, or alligator skins out of the state shall secure from the department, or duly
10 authorized representative thereof, a tag to be attached to the shipment. The tag shall
11 be of a distinctive color, bear a serial number and entry headings for information as
12 to the character of the shipment and the name and address of the specific licensed fur
13 dealer making the shipment, and the specific name and address of the receiver or
14 purchaser of the shipment, including the location to which the skins are actually
15 being shipped. The tag shall be filled out at the time of shipment, and be provided
16 with a detachable stub bearing the same serial number and entry headings as appear
17 on the body of the tag. The stub shall be filled out with duplicate information
18 appearing on the body of the tag and returned to the department at the time of
19 shipment, ~~with the proper amount of severance tax due.~~

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21 §258. Dealer records; payment of tax; confiscation of furs and skins

22 A. Every dealer shall maintain complete detailed records of the kind and
23 number of furs purchased inside and outside of the state and of all such furs shipped
24 out of the state or tanned within the state. Dealer records shall be completed and
25 made available to the department for audit purposes within sixty days after the close
26 of the trapping season. ~~Dealers shall remit to the department or pay to the authorized~~
27 ~~representative thereof within ten days following an annual audit of the dealer's~~
28 ~~records the full amount of the tax due.~~

1 B. Every dealer shall maintain complete detailed records of the number of
2 whole alligators and alligator skins purchased inside and outside the state and all
3 alligator skins shipped out of state or alligator skins tanned within the state. Dealer
4 records shall be completed and furnished to the department at the time of shipment
5 or prior to tanning and dealer must concurrently remit the full amount of tax due.

6 ~~C. Failure to pay the tax, as provided, subjects all pelts of Louisiana
7 furbearing animals and alligator skins held by dealers to confiscation by order,
8 general or special, of the department. Failure to maintain complete records and to
9 pay the tax subjects any dealer to the full penalties provided and the immediate
10 revocation of his license by the department. No license shall be issued to a dealer
11 who has not paid the tax for the preceding year.~~

12 ~~D. C. Any violation Violation~~ of this Section constitutes a class three
13 violation. * * *

14 §262. Nongame quadrupeds; breeding, propagation, and exhibition

15 A. Whoever desires to engage in the business of raising and/or exhibiting
16 imported or native nongame quadrupeds shall apply to the department for a license
17 to do so. If it appears that the application is made in good faith, upon a payment of
18 ~~ten~~ twenty dollars, a nongame quadruped exhibitor license may be issued permitting
19 the applicant to breed and/or exhibit such animals provided he meets rules and
20 regulations of the department.

21 B. Whoever desires to engage in the business of raising, exhibiting, and
22 selling imported or native nongame quadrupeds or collecting and selling wild
23 alligator eggs shall apply to the department for a license to do so. If it appears that
24 the application is made in good faith, upon payment of ~~twenty-five~~ fifty dollars, a
25 nongame quadruped breeder license may be issued permitting the applicant to breed,
26 propagate, exhibit, and sell such animals alive or sell their parts; and to kill and
27 transport them and sell their pelts, skins, or carcasses as hereinafter provided in this
28 Section.

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1 D. Nongame quadrupeds raised on such licensed breeding farms may be sold
 2 alive or taken for their pelts, skins, or for food according to rules and regulations of
 3 the commission. All skins shall be tagged according to rules and regulations of the
 4 commission. ~~The severance tax as fixed by law shall be paid before the raw pelts or~~
 5 ~~alligator skins are shipped out of state, or tanned within the state, and a written~~
 6 ~~affidavit as to the number and kinds shipped or tanned shall be furnished to the~~
 7 ~~department as specified.~~

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9 §263. Alligator parts, buying and selling; license; reports; tagging

10 A.(1) Each alligator parts dealer shall secure an alligator parts dealer license
 11 from the department before commencing business. The license shall be secured
 12 annually and shall be furnished upon the payment of ~~fifty~~ one hundred five dollars.

13 (2) Each retailer purchasing for retail sale finished alligator parts made from
 14 parts other than hides shall secure a license from the department before commencing
 15 business. The license shall be secured annually and shall be furnished upon the
 16 payment of ~~five~~ ten dollars.

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18 §302.9. Charter boat fishing guide license; nonresident fee

19 A.(1) No person shall act as nor represent himself to be a ~~saltwater~~ charter
 20 boat fishing guide unless that person possesses a valid state charter boat fishing
 21 guide license, a valid captain's license issued by the United States Coast Guard, proof
 22 of liability insurance, and a valid state recreational fishing license; ~~or in lieu of a~~
 23 ~~state recreational fishing license, the person was born prior to June 1, 1940, or has~~
 24 ~~a valid senior hunting and fishing license issued pursuant to R.S. 56:302.1(G) that~~
 25 grants fishing privileges appropriate for his charter activity. In addition, any person
 26 acting as a saltwater charter boat fishing guide who is in charge of the operation of
 27 a vessel shall have his required licenses and proof of liability insurance on his person
 28 while on the water. It shall not be a violation of this Section for a person to represent

1 himself as a charter boat fishing guide if that person held a valid license during the
2 previous thirty days but has not renewed the license.

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4 C.(1) The annual fee for a resident saltwater charter boat fishing guide
5 license is ~~two hundred fifty~~ three hundred dollars for operating a vessel that carries
6 not more than six passengers and ~~five~~ seven hundred dollars for operating a vessel
7 that carries more than six passengers.

8 (2) The annual fee for a resident freshwater charter boat fishing guide license
9 is one-hundred fifty dollars.

10 ~~(2)(a)~~ (3)(a) The annual fee for a nonresident saltwater charter boat fishing
11 guide license is one thousand five hundred dollars for operating a vessel that carries
12 not more than six passengers and two thousand dollars for operating a vessel that
13 carries more than six passengers.

14 (b) The annual fee for a nonresident freshwater charter boat fishing guide
15 license is five hundred dollars.

16 ~~(b)~~(c) There shall be an additional five hundred dollar fee for each
17 nonresident charter boat fishing guide license issued under the provisions of
18 ~~Subparagraph (a)~~ Subparagraphs (a) and (b) of this Paragraph which shall be
19 deposited into the Conservation Fund, as provided in R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(f). Such
20 funds shall be used by the department for promotion of the charter boat industry,
21 protection of the fishery, and to provide for administrative costs of the fund. Such
22 fees are to be expended for such purposes through the Louisiana Charter Boat
23 Association.

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25 F. A charter boat fishing guide license shall be issued by the department
26 during normal working hours and may be purchased in person ~~at any department~~
27 ~~district office~~, at the Baton Rouge and ~~New Orleans offices~~ office, or at any other
28 location designated by the department.

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1 §302.9.1. Charter boat license; skiff fee; charter fishing trip license

2 A. For a charter fishing operation which does not have a charter boat fishing
3 guide present, a charter boat license shall be required. Such license shall be for a
4 charter fishing operation which consists of a large motorized vessel carrying small
5 skiffs attached to it ~~with such skiffs~~ to be used by no more than two people for
6 fishing purposes. The main motorized vessel shall be required to carry a charter boat
7 license and proof of liability insurance, and the captain shall have a valid captain's
8 license issued by the United States Coast Guard with the license on his person. For
9 those vessels which carry up to six skiffs the license fee shall be one thousand five
10 hundred dollars per year. For those vessels which carry more than six skiffs, the
11 license fee shall be ~~two~~ three thousand dollars per year. No main motorized vessel
12 licensed under the provisions of this Section shall enter any wildlife management
13 area managed by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. The liability insurance
14 required by this Subsection shall meet the requirement of R.S. 56:302.9(A)(2).

15 B. In addition, each skiff shall be required to have a charter skiff license
16 which identifies the charter vessel to which it is attached. A licensed skiff shall ~~only~~
17 ~~be used~~ be used only for fishing purposes while the charter vessel with which it is
18 identified is located in Louisiana's territorial waters. Each charter skiff license shall
19 be issued for an annual cost of ~~fifty~~ seventy-five dollars per skiff.

20 * * *

21 E. Any person fishing in or with a licensed charter skiff shall have in his
22 possession a copy of the charter boat license, a copy of the charter skiff license, ~~and~~
23 his charter fishing trip license, or an equivalent license that grants both basic and
24 saltwater fishing privileges.

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26 §303. Commercial fisherman's license; charter boat fishing guide's license
27 certification; fees; place of purchase; information

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1 B. The cost of the commercial fisherman's license is ~~fifty-five~~ ninety-six
2 dollars for residents and ~~four hundred sixty~~ six hundred twenty dollars for
3 nonresidents.

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5 D. A commercial fisherman's license shall be issued only by the following:

6 (1) The department during normal working hours. The license may be
7 purchased in person at the Baton Rouge office or at any other location designated by
8 the department. and ~~New Orleans offices, at any district office located south of~~
9 ~~Interstate Highway 10, and at the fisheries office located in Bourg and the office~~
10 ~~located in New Iberia, or~~

11 * * *

12 F. A resident of this state who is seventy years of age or older may obtain a
13 senior commercial fishing license for an annual fee of ~~twenty~~ fifty dollars. The
14 senior commercial fishing license shall be valid from January first of each calendar
15 year until December thirty-first of the same calendar year. The license may be
16 purchased at any time for the current license year and may be purchased after
17 November fifteenth for the following license year. The license shall be in lieu of a
18 commercial fisherman's license required by this Section ~~and shall also serve in lieu~~
19 ~~of any commercial gear licenses that may be required by any activities engaged in~~
20 ~~by the license holder.~~

21 G.(1) Any fisherman properly licensed or permitted to legally fish in the
22 federal exclusive economic zone (EEZ) may purchase a Gulf Seafood Traversing and
23 Offloading License from the department to transport and sell his own catch from the
24 federal EEZ across state waters to any licensed wholesale/retail seafood dealer
25 located within the state of Louisiana.

26 (2) A license issued pursuant to Paragraph (1) of this Subsection shall be
27 issued in lieu of a commercial fisherman's license, vessel license, and any applicable
28 commercial gear license for fishing gear aboard the vessel.

1 (3) The fee for the Gulf Seafood Traversing and Offloading License shall be
 2 seventy-five dollars for residents and eight hundred dollars for nonresidents.

3 (4) While traversing state waters going to and from the federal EEZ, all
 4 fishing gear shall be stowed and shall not be used while in state waters.

5 (5) The licensee shall provide the wholesale/retail seafood dealer with all
 6 information, as determined by the commission to be necessary to properly manage
 7 the fishery resources of the state, that is required to complete the commercial receipt
 8 form, which shall include but not be limited to the fisherman's first and last name,
 9 license number, signature, gear used, vessel used, primary location of where fish
 10 were caught, duration of trip, and permit numbers for species requiring a permit to
 11 harvest. The licensee shall sign each commercial receipt form attesting that the
 12 information provided is correct.

13 * * *

14 §303.1.1. Fresh products license

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16 B. The cost of a fresh products license shall be ~~twenty~~ sixty-one dollars for
 17 residents and ~~one hundred twenty~~ three hundred dollars for nonresidents. The fresh
 18 products license shall be valid for one year, beginning on January first of each
 19 calendar year and expiring on December thirty-first of the same calendar year.

20 C. The fresh products license shall be issued only by the department during
 21 normal working hours and may be purchased in person at the Baton Rouge office ~~and~~
 22 ~~New Orleans offices~~ or at any other location designated by the department.

23 * * *

24 E. A commercial fisherman may purchase a secondary fresh products license
 25 for a ~~spouse~~ any designated individual if he provides the ~~spouse's~~ individual's name
 26 and social security number to the department. This secondary license will allow the
 27 commercial fisherman to continue to fish while the ~~spouse~~ designated individual
 28 sells the catch. The secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries shall
 29 promulgate rules and regulations implementing the provisions of this Subsection.

1 The department is authorized to collect a fee for issuance of the license not to exceed
2 five dollars which, after compliance with Article VII, Section 9(B) of the
3 Constitution of Louisiana relative to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund, shall
4 be credited to the Conservation Fund.

5 * * *

6 §303.6. Oyster harvester license

7 * * *

8 B. The revenues generated from this license shall be deposited into the
9 Oyster Resource Management Account ~~used by the Department of Wildlife and~~
10 ~~Fisheries solely for the Oyster Strike Force and the Louisiana Department of Health~~
11 ~~for oyster water monitoring.~~

12 * * *

13 §304. Vessel license; fees; place of purchase

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15 B. The cost of the vessel license for a resident is fifty dollars for the first
16 vessel, thirty-five dollars for the second vessel, and twenty dollars for the third and
17 any subsequent vessel. The cost of the vessel license for a nonresident is four
18 hundred dollars. ~~is fifteen dollars for residents and sixty dollars for nonresidents.~~

19 C. Vessel licenses shall be issued only by the department during normal
20 working hours and may be purchased in person ~~at any department district office,~~ at
21 the department's Baton Rouge ~~and New Orleans offices,~~ office or at any other
22 location designated by the department.

23 * * *

24 §304.1. Vessel license: license year; purchase period

25 * * *

26 B. A vessel license may be purchased at any time of the year for the current
27 license year and from ~~October first~~ November fifteenth for the immediately
28 following license year.

29 * * *

1 §305. Commercial gear license; issuance to certain nonresidents prohibited;
2 moratorium on certain new gear licenses; renewals

3 * * *

4 B. Residents shall pay a commercial gear fee as follows:

5 (1) Oyster Gear:

6 (a) Oyster tongs: fifty dollars for each oyster tong.

7 (b) Oyster scrapers: fifty dollars for each scraper.

8 (c) All revenue collected from the sale of oyster gear fees established in this
9 Paragraph, or from non-resident oyster gear fees collected pursuant to Paragraph
10 (C)(1) of this Section shall be credited to the Oyster Resource Management Account
11 as provided in R.S. 56:10(B)(4).

12 (2) Crab Gear:

13 (a) Crab traps: fifty dollars for the privilege of using crab traps to fish
14 commercially.

15 (b) All revenue collected from the sale of crab gear fees established in this
16 Paragraph, or from non-resident crab gear fees collected pursuant to Paragraph
17 (C)(1) of this Section shall be credited to the Crab Development, Management, and
18 Derelict Crab Trap Removal Account as provided in R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(e).

19 (3) Saltwater Finfish Gear:

20 (a) Mullet strike net: three hundred dollars per mullet strike net that may be
21 used only during the special mullet season defined in R.S. 56:333 or the special
22 spotted sea trout season defined in R.S. 56:325.3(C).

23 (b) Pompano strike net: three hundred dollars per pompano strike net that
24 may be used only during the special pompano season defined in R.S. 56:325.4 and
25 406.

26 (c) All commercial gear licenses as provided for in Subparagraphs (a) and
27 (b) of this Paragraph issued to all qualified nonresidents shall be one thousand two
28 hundred dollars.

1 (d) Rod and reel: three hundred fifty dollars to fish in the saltwater areas of
2 the state as defined in R.S. 56:322(A) and (B). The department may issue a saltwater
3 commercial rod and reel gear license to each applicant only if the following
4 conditions have been met:

5 (i) The applicant must provide positive proof that they held a valid
6 commercial gear license for gill nets during any two years of the years 1995, 1994,
7 and 1993.

8 (ii) The applicant must provide positive proof, in the form of unamended
9 original state and federal income tax returns, including Schedule C of the federal
10 1040 form, submitted in accordance with procedures established by the commission,
11 that the applicant has derived more than fifty percent of his earned income from the
12 capture and sale of seafood species in at least two of the three years, 1995, 1994, or
13 1993.

14 (e) Purse seines/menhaden seines: three thousand dollars for each purse seine
15 in use.

16 (f) Other saltwater gear: fifty dollars to use any legal number of commercial
17 cast nets with a radius in excess of eight feet six inches, hoop nets, gill nets, trammel
18 nets, strike nets, or seines for use in the saltwater areas of the state as defined in R.S.
19 56:322(A) and (B). Effective May 1, 1995, the department shall not issue any new
20 commercial gear licenses for gill nets, trammel nets, strike nets, or seines for use in
21 the saltwater areas of the state. The department may issue renewal licenses to any
22 person, company, or corporation that held a valid commercial gear license for such
23 gear for at least two years during either the 1992, 1993, or 1994 calendar years. The
24 provisions of this Paragraph shall not apply to licenses issued for the commercial
25 taking of menhaden.

26 (4) Crawfish Gear:

27 Crawfish traps: fifty dollars for the privilege of using crawfish traps to fish
28 commercially.

29 (5) Freshwater Gear:

1 (a) Fifty dollars to use one shad gill net pursuant to R.S. 56:322.2. No person
2 shall receive more than one such license per year.

3 (b) Fifty dollars to use one shad seine in freshwater areas of the state
4 pursuant to R.S. 56:322.1. No person shall receive more than one such license per
5 year.

6 (c) Fifty dollars to use any legal number of hoop nets, seines, slat traps,
7 trammel nets, cast nets with a radius in excess of eight feet six inches, wire nets,
8 pipes, buckets, drums, tires, and cans that are placed into the water for the purpose
9 of capturing and taking fish for commercial purposes in the freshwater areas of the
10 state as defined in R.S. 56:322(A) and (B).

11 ~~(1) Butterfly nets: twenty-five dollars for each butterfly net.~~

12 ~~(2) Crab traps: fifty dollars for the privilege of using crab traps to fish~~
13 ~~commercially. An amount equal to ten dollars from each commercial crab trap gear~~
14 ~~license shall be credited to the Derelict Crab Trap Removal Program Account as~~
15 ~~provided in R.S. 56:10(B)(13), and an amount equal to ten dollars from each~~
16 ~~commercial crab trap license shall be credited to the Crab Promotion and Marketing~~
17 ~~Account as provided in R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(c). Any resident who holds a senior~~
18 ~~commercial fishing license shall be exempt from the provisions of this Paragraph.~~

19 ~~(3) Oyster scrapers: twenty-five dollars for each scraper.~~

20 ~~(4) Gill nets:~~

21 ~~(a) Twenty-five dollars to use any legal number of gill nets in the freshwater~~
22 ~~areas of the state as defined in R.S. 56:322(A) and (B).~~

23 ~~(c) Two hundred fifty dollars per mullet strike net that may only be used~~
24 ~~during the special mullet season defined in R.S. 56:333 or the special spotted sea~~
25 ~~trout season defined in R.S. 56:325.3(C).~~

26 ~~(d) Two hundred fifty dollars per pompano strike net that may only be used~~
27 ~~during the special pompano season defined in R.S. 56:325.4 and 406.~~

1 ~~(e) All commercial gear licenses as provided for in Subparagraphs (b), (c),~~
2 ~~and (d) of this Paragraph issued to all qualified nonresidents shall be one thousand~~
3 ~~dollars.~~

4 ~~(f) Twenty-five dollars to use one shad gill net pursuant to R.S. 56:322.2. No~~
5 ~~person shall receive more than one such license per year.~~

6 ~~(5) Hoop nets: twenty-five dollars to use any legal number of hoop nets.~~

7 ~~(6) Purse seines/menhaden seines: five hundred five dollars for each purse~~
8 ~~seine in use.~~

9 ~~(7) Seines: twenty-five dollars to use any legal number of seines.~~

10 ~~(8) Oyster tongs: thirty dollars for each oyster tong.~~

11 ~~(9) Slat traps: twenty-five dollars to use any legal number of slat traps.~~

12 ~~(10) Trammel nets: twenty-five dollars to use any legal number of trammel~~
13 ~~nets in the freshwater areas of the state as defined in R.S. 56:322(A) and (B).~~

14 ~~(11) Trawls: twenty-five dollars for each trawl, except no fee is required for~~
15 ~~use of a test trawl, as defined by R.S. 56:495.1(A), when used with another trawl for~~
16 ~~which the gear fee has been paid.~~

17 ~~(12) Crawfish traps: twenty-five dollars to use any legal number of crawfish~~
18 ~~traps.~~

19 ~~(13) Castnets with a radius in excess of eight feet six inches.~~

20 ~~(14) Rod and reel: two hundred fifty dollars to fish in the saltwater areas of~~
21 ~~the state as defined in R.S. 56:322(A) and (B). The department may issue a saltwater~~
22 ~~commercial rod and reel gear license to each applicant only if the following~~
23 ~~conditions have been met:~~

24 ~~(a) The applicant must provide positive proof that they held a valid~~
25 ~~commercial gear license for gill nets during any two years of the years 1995, 1994,~~
26 ~~and 1993.~~

27 ~~(b) The applicant must provide positive proof, in the form of unamended~~
28 ~~original state and federal income tax returns, including Schedule C of the federal~~
29 ~~1040 form, submitted in accordance with procedures established by the commission,~~

1 that the applicant has derived more than fifty percent of his earned income from the
2 capture and sale of seafood species in at least two of the three years, 1995, 1994, or
3 1993.

4 ~~(c) Repealed by Acts 1997, No. 727, §2.~~

5 ~~(d) Each commercial rod and reel fisherman shall report his total monthly
6 commercial take to the department in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 56:345.~~

7 ~~(15) Wire nets: twenty-five dollars to use any legal number of wire nets.~~

8 ~~(16) Twenty-five dollars to use one shad seine in freshwater areas of the state
9 pursuant to R.S. 56:322.1. No person shall receive more than one such license per
10 year.~~

11 ~~(17) Twenty-five dollars to use a freshwater shrimp net in accordance with
12 R.S. 56:501.~~

13 ~~(18) Any other type of legal gear not listed in this Subsection: twenty-five
14 dollars. This type of gear includes pipes, buckets, drums, tires, and cans that are
15 placed into the water for the purpose of capturing and taking fish for commercial
16 purposes.~~

17 C.(1)(a) The commercial gear fee for nonresidents is four times the gear fee
18 for residents; however, the nonresident fee for oyster dredges and tongs in particular
19 shall be eight times the fee for residents.

20 ~~(b) An amount equal to forty dollars for each nonresident commercial crab
21 trap gear license shall be credited to the Derelict Crab Trap Removal Program
22 Account as provided in R.S. 56:10(B)(13), and an amount equal to forty dollars from
23 each commercial crab trap gear license shall be credited to the Crab Promotion and
24 Marketing Account as provided in R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(c).~~

25 * * *

26 ~~(3) Effective May 1, 1995, the department shall not issue any new
27 commercial gear licenses for gill nets, trammel nets, strike nets, or seines for use in
28 the saltwater areas of the state. The department may issue renewal licenses to any
29 person, company, or corporation that held a valid commercial gear license for such~~

1 gear for at least two years during either the 1992, 1993, or 1994 calendar years. The
2 provisions of this Paragraph shall not apply to licenses issued for the commercial
3 taking of menhaden.

4 * * *

5 G. In addition to any other fees provided for in this Section, any commercial
6 fisherman who purchases a trawl, skimmer, or butterfly gear license shall be required
7 to pay an annual fee of ten dollars for residents and forty dollars for nonresidents for
8 deposit into the Shrimp Marketing and Promotion Account as provided for in R.S.
9 56:10(B)(1)(b)(i). The licensee shall pay the fee required by this Subsection only
10 once in any single license year.

11 * * *

12 §305.1. License year; place of purchase; purchase period

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14 B. A commercial gear license may be purchased at any time of the year for
15 the current license year and from ~~October first~~ November fifteenth for the
16 immediately following license year.

17 C. Commercial gear licenses shall be issued only by the department during
18 normal working hours and may be purchased in person at any department district
19 office, at the department's Baton Rouge office and ~~New Orleans offices~~, or at any
20 other location designated by the department.

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22 §306. Wholesale/retail seafood dealer's license; place of business; employees;
23 exemptions; wholesale out-of-state crab shipping license

24 * * *

25 B.

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27 (6)

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1 (c) ~~Of the revenues~~ All revenues collected from the issuance of wholesale
2 out-of-state crab shipping licenses, ~~ten percent~~ shall be deposited to the Crab
3 Development, Management and Derelict Crab Trap Removal Account as provided
4 in R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(e) Conservation Fund, and ~~ninety percent~~ shall be deposited to
5 ~~the Crab Promotion and Marketing Account of the Seafood Promotion and~~
6 ~~Marketing Fund, R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(e).~~

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8 §306.1. Retail seafood dealer's license; place of business; employees; retail out-of-
9 state crab shipping license

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15 (b) The fee for a retail out-of-state crab shipping license shall be ~~one hundred~~
16 two hundred forty dollars per year. The license shall be valid for one year, beginning
17 on January first of each calendar year and expiring on December thirty-first of the
18 same calendar year. The license may be purchased at any time of the year for the
19 current license year and from November fifteenth for the immediately following
20 license year.

21 (c) ~~Of the revenues~~ All revenues collected from the issuance of retail out-of-
22 state crab shipping licenses, ~~ten percent~~ shall be deposited to the Crab Development,
23 Management, and Derelict Crab Trap Removal Account as provided in R.S.
24 56:10(B)(1)(e) Conservation Fund, and ~~ninety percent~~ shall be deposited to the Crab
25 Promotion and Marketing Account of the Seafood Promotion and Marketing Fund,
26 R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(e).

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1 §306.2. License fee; place of purchase

2 A.(1) The cost of the wholesale/retail seafood dealer's license is ~~two~~ six
3 ~~hundred fifty~~ twenty-five dollars for residents and ~~one thousand one hundred five~~
4 three thousand dollars for nonresidents. Restaurants and retail grocers may sell
5 native reptiles and amphibians for human consumption under the provisions of this
6 Section.

7 (2) The cost of the retail seafood dealer's license is ~~one hundred five~~ three
8 hundred seventy-five dollars for residents and ~~four hundred five~~ one thousand five
9 hundred dollars for nonresidents.

10 * * *

11 B. A wholesale/retail seafood dealer's license and retail seafood dealer's
12 license shall be issued only by the department during normal working hours at the
13 Baton Rouge office and ~~New Orleans offices~~, or at any other location designated by
14 the department.

15 §306.3. Wholesale/retail seafood dealer's license and retail seafood dealer's license;
16 license year; purchase period

17 * * *

18 B. A wholesale/retail seafood dealer's license and a retail seafood dealer's
19 license may be purchased at any time of the year for the current license year and
20 from ~~October first~~ November fifteenth for the immediately following license year.

21 * * *

22 §307.1. Transport license fee; underlying license

23 A. The cost of a transport license is ~~thirty~~ eighty-three dollars per vehicle
24 and can ~~only be purchased~~ be purchased only by a person holding a valid Louisiana
25 commercial fisherman's license or valid Louisiana wholesale/retail dealer's license.

26 * * *

1 §322.1. Shad seine; commercial harvest of shad and skipjack herring

2 A. A commercial fisherman licensed in accordance with R.S. 56:303 and
3 305(B)(~~16~~)(6)(b) may take shad, skipjack, and any other freshwater commercial fish
4 of legal size with a shad seine in accordance with this Section.

5 * * *

6 §322.2. Shad gill nets; commercial harvest of shad and skipjack herring

7 A. A commercial fisherman licensed in accordance with R.S. 56:303 and
8 305(B)(~~4~~)(~~f~~)(6)(a) may take shad and skipjack with a shad gill net in Lake Palourde,
9 Lake Verret, Lac Des Allemands, all of the waterways in Iberville Parish, and those
10 portions of the parishes of Iberia, St. Martin, and St. Mary located between the guide
11 levees of the Atchafalaya Basin but is specifically not authorized to do so in the
12 streams, bayous, canals, and other water bodies connected with the specified lakes.

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14 §325.3. Spotted sea trout commercial taking; annual quota; red drum commercial
15 taking, possession, or landing prohibited

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17 C. The commercial taking or sale by a commercial fisherman of spotted sea
18 trout is prohibited except by special permit issued by the Department of Wildlife and
19 Fisheries at a cost of one hundred fifty dollars for residents of this state and ~~four~~ six
20 hundred dollars for those who are nonresidents. No person shall purchase spotted
21 sea trout from any commercial fisherman who does not possess a spotted sea trout
22 permit. No person shall qualify for a charter boat fishing guide license and a spotted
23 sea trout permit during the same licensure period.

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25 §326. Size and possession limits; commercial fish

26 * * *

27 E.

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1 (2) ~~Persons commercially fishing for shark must obtain a permit from the~~
 2 ~~secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.~~ The commercial taking or
 3 sale by a commercial fisherman of shark is prohibited except by special permit
 4 issued by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries at a cost of twenty-five dollars.
 5 Such permit shall be in the immediate possession of the person commercially fishing
 6 for shark. Any shark fisherman who violates a commercial shark fishery regulation
 7 shall be subject to the following sanctions:

8 * * *

9 H. The possession limit for the commercial taking of southern flounder shall
 10 be ten fish for each licensed fisherman for each consecutive day on the water.
 11 ~~However, the provisions of this Subsection shall not apply to southern flounder~~
 12 ~~caught as by-catch authorized by R.S. 56:492.~~

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14 §411. Legislative findings and purpose

15 * * *

16 B. For the purposes of this Subpart the following definitions shall apply:

17 * * *

18 (4) "Mariculture" means the rearing, nurturing, or growing of saltwater fish
 19 in cages, pens, or any other containment device in or on state territorial waters
 20 including those waters over private-owned water bottoms.

21 (5) "Culture" means any activity associated with the rearing, nurturing, or
 22 growing of a domesticated aquatic organism.

23 (6) "Species specific permits" are special domesticated aquatic organism
 24 permits that are required for any species which have restricted methods of
 25 aquaculture.

26 * * *

27 §412. Issuance and renewal of domesticated aquatic organism license

28 A.

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CODING: Words in ~~struck through~~ type are deletions from existing law; words underscored are additions.

1 (2) A domesticated aquatic organism license shall be valid for one year,
2 beginning January first of each calendar year and expiring December thirty-first of
3 the same calendar year. The license may be purchased at any time of the year for the
4 current license year and after November fourteenth for the immediately following
5 license year. The cost of a domesticated aquatic organism license is ~~fifteen~~ twenty
6 five dollars for residents and ~~four~~ five hundred dollars for nonresidents. A renewal
7 notice shall be mailed to each licensee by the department prior to the license
8 expiration dates explaining the renewal procedures. In addition to the general
9 domestic aquatic organism license, the department may issue the following permits
10 for particular aquaculture activity:

11 (a) Any required species specific culture permit shall cost one hundred
12 dollars and all other species specific permits shall cost fifty dollars.

13 (b) Mariculture permits shall cost five hundred dollars annually. Mariculture
14 permits shall be issued for the life of the project and shall be revoked upon failure
15 to maintain the conditions of the permit, or upon lapse of the annual fee.

16 * * *

17 (5) No person engaged in the business of aquaculture nor any other person
18 may use public bodies of water to propagate, raise, feed, or grow any species of fish
19 with the exception of shellfish native or endemic to Louisiana or the Northern Gulf
20 of Mexico. The use of cages, pens, and fenced-off portions of such water bodies for
21 propagating, raising, or growing any species of fish is prohibited without a valid
22 Mariculture or Alternative Oyster Culture permit issued by the department.

23 * * *

24 §433.1. Oyster seed ground vessel permit; ~~Oyster Seed Ground Vessel Permit~~
25 ~~Appeals Board~~

26 A.(1) Any oysters taken for commercial purposes from the public natural
27 reefs or the oyster seed grounds or reservations, except those in Calcasieu Lake or
28 Sabine Lake, shall be placed only on a vessel which has an oyster seed ground vessel
29 permit issued exclusively by the department pursuant to rules and regulations

1 promulgated by the commission. The commission may establish a limit on the
2 number of permits that may be issued each year after consultation with the Louisiana
3 Oyster Task Force. Such permit shall be issued in the name of the vessel owner and
4 shall identify the vessel permitted by including the state registration number or the
5 United States Coast Guard documented number. The permit shall identify the vessel
6 that may possess and transport oysters taken from the public natural reefs and oyster
7 seed grounds. The permit does not grant any rights to the oyster resource or any
8 rights to harvest oysters from the waters of the state and shall not be sold, exchanged,
9 or otherwise transferred. The permit is valid for one year, beginning on January first
10 of each calendar year and expiring on December thirty-first of the same calendar
11 year, and permit holders who hold a valid permit during the prior year may renew the
12 permit at any time of the year for the current license year and from November
13 fifteenth for the immediately following license year. The cost of the permit for a
14 ~~vessel from which oysters will be harvested using a single scraper, tongs, or by hand~~
15 shall be ~~two hundred~~ fifty dollars per year for a resident and ~~one thousand two~~
16 hundred dollars per year for a nonresident. ~~The cost of the permit for a vessel from~~
17 ~~which oysters will be harvested using a double scraper or any other legal method of~~
18 ~~harvest shall be five hundred dollars for a resident and two thousand dollars for a~~
19 ~~nonresident.~~ In addition to the vessel permit fee, in order to harvest oysters from the
20 public grounds, a person shall be in possession of a Public Oyster Seed Ground gear
21 license. The Public Oyster Seed Ground gear license allows harvest of oysters from
22 the public seed grounds using a single scraper, tongs, or by hand. The fee for the
23 gear license is two hundred dollars per year for a resident and eight hundred dollars
24 per year for a nonresident. A second scraper may be used but requires an additional
25 gear license. No vessel shall use or possess more than two scrapers while harvesting
26 on the public seed grounds. After having been credited to the Bond Security and
27 Redemption Fund as required by Article VII, Section 9(B) of the Constitution of
28 Louisiana, all revenues received from purchase of the permit shall be deposited in

1 the ~~Public Oyster Seed Ground Development Account, R.S. 56:434.1~~ Oyster
 2 Resource Management Account, R.S. 56:10(B)(4).

3 * * *

4 §442. Collection and disposition of funds; dedication of funds

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6 B. Except for funds collected from the privilege to take shells or shell
 7 deposits from the water bottoms, ~~the funds provided for and arising from the~~
 8 ~~collection of severance taxes~~, bedding ground rentals, and other sources of income,
 9 shall be collected by the department and record made thereof. These funds shall be
 10 deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the department.

11 * * *

12 §449. Tags; distribution; use; containers; penalties

13 * * *

14 B. The department shall establish uniform fees for such tags. The fees shall
 15 be sufficient in amount to cover the cost of the tags as well as the administrative
 16 costs of distribution. In addition to the established uniform fee, there shall be an
 17 additional fee of five cents per tag which shall be deposited into the Oyster
 18 ~~Development Account within the Seafood Promotion and Marketing Fund.~~

19 * * *

20 §492. Incidental by-catch

21 ~~Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, or any rule or~~
 22 ~~regulation adopted by the department or the commission, any~~ Any commercial
 23 shrimping vessel may retain and any commercial fisherman may sell all southern
 24 flounder caught as by-catch on any shrimping trip unless the southern flounder stock
 25 is determined by the department to be overfished or undergoing overfishing. After
 26 such a determination, the commission may adopt rules or regulations in accordance
 27 with the Administrative Procedures Act to restrict the retention of southern flounder

1 caught as by-catch on any shrimping trip until such time as the department
2 determines the stock has recovered from an overfished or overfishing status.

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4 §494. Louisiana Shrimp Task Force

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6 E. The task force is hereby charged with responsibility to do the following:

7 * * *

8 (5) Administer a portion of the funds in the Shrimp Development and
9 Management Account equivalent to ten dollars per resident commercial shrimp gear
10 license sold annually and forty dollars per nonresident commercial shrimp gear
11 license sold annually. ~~Marketing and Promotion Fund, which fund shall be used to~~
12 create new markets for shrimp and promote the sale of shrimp harvested from
13 Louisiana waters.

14 * * *

15 F. The activities of the Shrimp Task Force shall be funded through ~~the~~
16 ~~Shrimp Marketing and Promotion Fund (R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(b)(i))~~ Shrimp
17 Development and Management Account (R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(b)).

18 * * *

19 §501. Commercial taking of freshwater shrimp

20 * * *

21 B.

22 * * *

23 (2) A person shrimping pursuant to this Subsection shall use a wire net with
24 a one-quarter inch bar and a maximum length of six feet. The net shall be marked
25 with a one gallon jug painted international orange and displaying the words
26 "Freshwater Shrimp" in black letters. In addition to a commercial fishing license,
27 a fisherman fishing pursuant to this Subsection shall possess a freshwater shrimp net
28 license issued pursuant to R.S. 56:305(B)~~(17)~~(1)(d).

29 * * *

1 §632.4. Reptile and amphibian collector's license; scientific collector's permit

2 A. All persons engaged in the sale of native reptiles and amphibians
3 collected in Louisiana must possess one of the following licenses:

4 (1) A resident must possess a resident collector's license at a cost of ~~twenty-~~
5 five fifty-five dollars.

6 (2) A nonresident must possess a nonresident collector's license at a cost of
7 ~~two hundred~~ four hundred twenty dollars.

8 (3) Residents under ~~sixteen~~ eighteen years of age shall be required to possess
9 a collector's license at a cost of ten dollars.

10 * * *

11 §632.5. Reptile and amphibian wholesale/retail dealer's license; nonresident three-
12 day license

13 A. Any person buying, acquiring, or handling, from any person, by any
14 means whatsoever, or for propagation for sale, any live species of native reptile or
15 amphibian, except farm raised aquatic chelonians, or any live species of poisonous
16 snake or constrictor, as delineated in R.S. 56:632.5.1, in Louisiana, from within or
17 outside the state, for sale, or resale, whether on a commission basis or otherwise, is
18 a wholesale/retail reptile amphibian dealer and shall possess a reptile and amphibian
19 wholesale/retail dealer's license at a cost of ~~one hundred five~~ two hundred twenty
20 dollars for a resident and ~~four hundred five~~ eight hundred eighty dollars for a
21 nonresident.

22 * * *

23 E. In lieu of the regular nonresident wholesale/retail dealer's license,
24 nonresidents may purchase a three-day reptile and amphibian wholesale/retail
25 dealer's license for a fee of ~~seventy-five~~ one hundred fifty dollars. The three-day
26 license shall be valid only for three consecutive days.

27 * * *

1 §632.9. Transporter; license required; license fee; prohibitions; number of licenses;
2 transferability; records; common carriers

3 * * *

4 B.(1) The cost of a reptile and amphibian transport license is ~~thirty~~ sixty-five
5 dollars per vehicle for a resident and ~~one hundred twenty~~ two hundred fifty dollars
6 per vehicle for a nonresident and can be purchased only by a person holding a valid
7 Louisiana reptile and amphibian collector's license or valid Louisiana reptile and
8 amphibian wholesale/retail dealer's license.

9 * * *

10 §653. Information to accompany applications; annual fee

11 A. The application for such a license shall be accompanied by a fee of ~~two~~
12 ~~hundred~~ four hundred twenty dollars to be the annual charge for the issuance of such
13 license, and shall be further accompanied by information as to:

14 (1) The location and description of the premises, including a legal
15 description of the land, and

16 (2) Copies of parish or ward maps with the area or areas clearly outlined and
17 a description of the facilities thereon, together with the interest of the applicant
18 therein.

19 * * *

20 Section 3. R.S. 56:8(16)(a)(ii) and (b)(i), 10(B)(1)(f) and (g), (5), (7)(a), (9), and
21 (10), 103(A), and (C)(1), 104(A)(7), 109(D), 116(C)(1) and (D), 116.1(C)(3), the heading
22 of Subpart A-1 of Part IV of Chapter 1 of Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950,
23 151, 302, 302.1(Section heading) and (A) through (C), 302.10(B)(1) through (3) and (C),
24 325.1(A)(1), (3)(a), and (C)(2)(d), 325.3(A)(1), 330(B). 500(A), 641, 649.1, 649.2, 649.3,
25 649.4, 649.7, and 1833 are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 56:8(16)(a)(v), 10(B)(4)
26 and (7)(c), 10.3, 302.1(D), 645, 678, 679 and Chapter 14 of Title 56 of the Louisiana
27 Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 56:3000 through 3007 are hereby enacted to
28 read as follows:

1 §8. Definitions

2 For purposes of this Chapter, the following words and phrases have the
3 meaning ascribed to them in this Section, unless the context clearly shows a different
4 meaning:

5 * * *

6 (16)(a) Except as specified in Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, "bona fide
7 resident" means any person who is a United States citizen or resident alien and has
8 resided in this state continuously during the twelve months immediately prior to the
9 date on which he applies for any license and who has manifested his intent to remain
10 in this state by establishing Louisiana as his legal domicile, as demonstrated by
11 compliance with all of the following, as applicable:

12 * * *

13 (ii) If licensed to drive a motor vehicle, he is in possession of a Louisiana
14 driver's license, or, if ~~over the age of fifteen years and~~ not licensed to drive, he is in
15 possession of a special identification card issued by the Department of Public Safety
16 and Corrections under the provisions of R.S. 40:1321, or an alternative form of proof
17 of residency that the department deems acceptable.

18 * * *

19 (v) If a minor who cannot otherwise demonstrate legal domicile by other
20 methods established in this Paragraph, is in possession of an alternative form of
21 proof of residency that the department deems acceptable.

22 (b) For purchase of a license for hunting or recreational fishing activities
23 where such license does not authorize any commercial activity, "bona fide resident"
24 means the following:

25 (i) Any person who is a United States citizen or resident alien and has
26 resided in this state continuously during the six months immediately prior to the date
27 on which he applies for any such license and who has manifested his intent to remain

1 in this state by establishing Louisiana as his legal domicile, as demonstrated by
2 compliance with Items (a)(i) through ~~(iv)~~(v) of this Paragraph.

3 * * *

4 §10. Annual report to governor; estimate of proposed expenditures; particular funds;
5 limitations on purposes for use of monies in particular funds; warrants;
6 vouchers; surplus funds

7 * * *

8 (B)(1)

9 * * *

10 (f) ~~Pay annually into the Conservation Fund, an amount equal to the~~
11 ~~additional charter fishing fees collected pursuant to R.S. 56:302.1(C)(2)(c) and~~
12 ~~302.9(C)(2)(b) and paid into the treasury by the commission. There is hereby~~
13 ~~created in the Conservation Fund, the Charter Boat Fishing Fund. Such funds~~
14 Monies deposited into the fund shall be used by the department for the promotion of
15 the charter boat industry, protection of the fishery, and to provide for administrative
16 costs of the fund. Such funds are to be expended for such purposes through the
17 Louisiana Charter Boat Association.

18 (g) ~~Between June 1, 2014, and May 31, 2018, pay~~ There is hereby created
19 in the Conservation Fund ~~annually into the Conservation Fund, into a special account~~
20 ~~designated as the "Saltwater Fish Research and Conservation Fund", an amount~~
21 ~~equal to the fees collected pursuant to R.S. 56:302.1(C)(1)(c).~~

22 * * *

23 (5)(a) ~~The monies in the Louisiana Duck License, Stamp, and Print Fund~~
24 ~~shall be used solely for the programs and purposes associated with the Louisiana~~
25 ~~Duck License, Stamp, and Print Program as provided by R.S. 56:151 et seq. in the~~
26 ~~amounts appropriated each year to the department by the legislature. There is hereby~~
27 created in the Conservation Fund a special account known as the Louisiana Duck
28 License, Stamp, and Print Fund. The treasurer shall pay annually into the Louisiana
29 Duck License, Stamp, and Print Fund all amounts received pursuant to the Louisiana

1 Duck License, Stamp, and Print Program provided for in R.S. 56:151 et seq. and such
2 other funds as are specifically appropriated by the legislature.

3 (b) Half of the monies deposited in the Louisiana Duck License, Stamp, and
4 Print Fund shall be used solely for the following in-state waterfowl management
5 programs and purposes:

6 (i) To acquire lands in Louisiana which have the primary and direct purpose
7 of conserving, restoring, and enhancing migratory waterfowl habitat.

8 (ii) To carry out migratory waterfowl habitat restoration and enhancement
9 projects on lands under the jurisdiction of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and
10 Fisheries.

11 (iii) To fulfill the purposes of Items (i) and (ii) of this Subparagraph, when
12 feasible and when in coastal areas, in a manner which will contribute to the
13 protection of the coastal areas of the state from deterioration and which will enhance
14 the productivity of the coastal marshes.

15 (iv) To acquire lands for wildlife and game management.

16 (v) To make grants, not to exceed ten percent of the program revenues, to the
17 North American Waterfowl Habitat Conservation Plan for the purpose of acquiring,
18 developing, or maintaining migratory waterfowl areas within Louisiana.

19 (vi) To cover the administrative costs associated with the implementation of
20 the Louisiana Duck License, Stamp, and Print Program, not to exceed five percent
21 of the program revenues.

22 (c) Half of the monies deposited in the Louisiana Duck License, Stamp, and
23 Print Fund shall be dedicated by the commission to the development and
24 preservation of breeding grounds for migratory waterfowl under the direction of the
25 Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its discretion.

26 * * *

27 (7)(a) There is hereby created in the Conservation Fund a special fund called
28 the Louisiana Wild Turkey Fund. The monies in the Louisiana Wild Turkey Fund
29 shall be used solely for the programs and purposes associated with the Louisiana

1 Wild Turkey Program ~~as provided by R.S. 56:161 et seq.~~ in the amounts appropriated
2 each year to the department by the legislature.

3 * * *

4 (c) Subject to appropriation, the monies in the Louisiana Wild Turkey Fund
5 shall be used:

6 (i) To acquire lands in Louisiana which have the primary and direct purpose
7 of conserving, restoring, and enhancing wild turkey habitat.

8 (ii) To carry out wild turkey habitat restoration and enhancement projects on
9 lands under the jurisdiction of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

10 (iii) To acquire lands that are suitable for wild turkeys and wild turkey
11 management.

12 * * *

13 (9) There is hereby created within the Conservation Fund a special account
14 known as the "black bear account" ~~which shall consist of those revenues collected~~
15 ~~from the sale of the black bear unlimited license plates provided for in R.S.~~
16 ~~47:463.45.~~ The revenues shall be subject to the same requirements as provided for
17 other revenues placed in the Conservation Fund in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection.
18 The funds in this account shall be used solely for the purpose of conserving,
19 restoring, and enhancing black bear habitat in Louisiana.

20 (10) There is hereby created within the Conservation Fund a special account
21 known as the "quail account" ~~which shall consist of those revenues collected from~~
22 ~~the sale of the Louisiana Quail Forever license plates provided for in R.S. 47:463.46.~~
23 The revenues shall be subject to the same requirements as provided for other
24 revenues placed in the Conservation Fund in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection. The
25 funds in this account shall be used solely for the purpose of conserving, restoring,
26 and enhancing quail habitat in Louisiana.

27 * * *

1 §10.3. Lifetime License Endowment Trust Fund

2 A.(1) Subject to the exception contained in Article VII, Section 9(A) of the
3 Constitution of Louisiana, all funds collected by the commission under the
4 provisions of this Part shall be credited to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund.
5 Out of the funds remaining in the Bond Security and Redemption Fund after a
6 sufficient amount is allocated from that fund to pay all obligations secured by the full
7 faith and credit of the state which become due and payable within any fiscal year, the
8 treasurer shall deposit, as provided in Subsection B of this Section, an amount equal
9 to the revenues collected under the provisions of this Part. The funds credited to the
10 Lifetime License Endowment Trust Fund shall be expended as provided in this
11 Section.

12 (2) At any such time as the balance in the fund reaches twenty million
13 dollars and a determination is made by the department that the fund contains
14 sufficient monies to be able to certify all lifetime license holders then those funds in
15 excess of twenty million dollars shall be credited to the Conservation Fund.

16 B. Of the revenues received from the issuance of each lifetime license, one
17 hundred dollars shall be credited to the Lifetime License Endowment Trust Fund,
18 and the remaining funds shall be credited to the Conservation Fund to be used for the
19 purpose of administering and enforcing the provisions of this Chapter or for such
20 other purposes as may be determined by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

21 * * *

22 §103. License ~~required;~~ license books; returns; transfer of license prohibited

23 A. No ~~resident of this state~~ person shall at any time hunt, take, possess, or
24 cause to be transported by any other person any wild bird or any wild quadruped
25 unless he is at the time of such act the lawful holder of an ~~effective~~ valid license for
26 that purpose issued to him by authority of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries
27 Commission.

28 * * *

1 C.(1) In order to hunt, take, possess, or transport deer, or turkey, ~~or bobcat,~~
2 in Louisiana, in addition to a basic hunting license, a person shall be required to
3 purchase and have on his person a ~~big game~~ either a deer license or a turkey license,
4 whichever is the appropriate license. In order to hunt, take, possess, or transport
5 waterfowl in Louisiana, in addition to a basic hunting license, a resident shall be
6 required to purchase and have on his person a ~~duck~~ waterfowl license. ~~The fee for~~
7 ~~an annual resident duck license shall be five dollars and fifty cents. In order to hunt,~~
8 ~~take, possess, or transport turkey in Louisiana, in addition to a big game hunting~~
9 ~~license, a resident shall be required to purchase and have on his person a wild turkey~~
10 ~~license. The fee for an annual resident wild turkey license shall be five dollars and~~
11 ~~fifty cents.~~

* * *

§104. License fees; reciprocity; exceptions

A. No license shall be issued under this Part unless there has been previously paid a fee or fees as hereinafter set forth:

* * *

(7) Any person who was born in Louisiana and who possesses a valid Louisiana birth certificate may purchase a nonresident temporary hunting and fishing license that is valid for ~~five~~ ten consecutive days for the cost of a resident hunting license as provided in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection. Any licenses or permits which may be required in addition to the basic hunting and fishing license, such as a big game license, ~~or turkey license, or saltwater fishing license,~~ may be purchased for the cost of a resident license and shall be valid for the same ~~five~~ ten consecutive days as the nonresident temporary hunting and fishing license.

* * *

§109. Wildlife management areas; wildlife refuges; public hunting grounds and recreation areas; notice; signs; hunters with disabilities

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1 D.(1) ~~On and after July 1, 1993, a Wild Louisiana Stamp, hunting license, or~~
2 ~~fishing license~~ A valid WMA access permit shall be required for use of department
3 administered lands including wildlife refuges and wildlife management and habitat
4 conservation areas. Persons under ~~sixteen~~ eighteen years of age ~~and sixty years of~~
5 ~~age or older~~ are exempt from this requirement. Persons attending official functions
6 of private, non-profit and charitable organizations recognized as tax exempt under
7 the provisions of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code shall be exempt from this
8 requirement. In addition, traversing through lands administered by the department
9 shall not require a license or permit.

10 (2) Persons using department administered lands for commercial purposes
11 for which the department is paid a royalty or special fee, agents of the state on
12 official business, and persons or groups using department administered lands for
13 purposes other than fishing or hunting who receive, for good cause, a letter of permit
14 from the secretary specifically waiving the permit requirement ~~Wild Louisiana~~
15 ~~Stamp~~, shall be exempt.

16 (3) ~~For an initial violation of failing to possess a Wild Louisiana Stamp,~~
17 ~~fishing license, or hunting license while on department administered lands, as~~
18 ~~required by this Subsection, the violator shall immediately obtain a required stamp~~
19 ~~or license or be required to leave the department administered lands. In such instance~~
20 ~~of an initial violation, the violator shall be given directions to the nearest place where~~
21 ~~such stamp or license may be purchased. After the initial violation, any subsequent~~
22 ~~offenses shall be class one violations as designated in R.S. 56:31. This Paragraph~~
23 ~~shall not apply to violations of hunting or fishing without a license.~~

24 (4) The department shall prominently post and maintain at each entrance to
25 those lands subject to this Subsection a sign stating that all visitors, except those
26 exempt by law, must possess a ~~Wild Louisiana Stamp, a hunting license, a fishing~~
27 ~~license, or a WMA hunting permit~~ WMA access permit, a Sportsman's Paradise
28 license, a lifetime hunting or fishing license, or a license that confers equivalent
29 privileges while on those lands.

1 ~~(5)(a) In addition to other fees and licenses required by law, any person~~
2 ~~between the ages of eighteen and sixty, both inclusive, who hunts on any land~~
3 ~~administered by the department, including wildlife refuges and wildlife management~~
4 ~~and habitat conservation areas, shall purchase and have in his possession a WMA~~
5 ~~hunting permit. Traversing through department-administered lands shall not require~~
6 ~~a permit. The fee for a WMA hunting permit shall be fifteen dollars each year. The~~
7 ~~permit shall be available for purchase beginning June first of each year and will be~~
8 ~~valid from the date of purchase through the following June thirtieth. The permittee~~
9 ~~shall have the permit in his possession whenever engaged in hunting on lands~~
10 ~~administered by the department. Funds collected from the WMA hunting permit shall~~
11 ~~be used for the maintenance and upkeep of wildlife management areas. The secretary~~
12 ~~may exempt for good cause persons or groups of people from the requirements of~~
13 ~~this Paragraph. Such exemption shall be in the form of a letter of permit from the~~
14 ~~secretary. The commission is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations which~~
15 ~~establish the criteria for such exemptions and which otherwise implement this~~
16 ~~exemption.~~

17 ~~(b) A resident between the ages of eighteen and sixty, both inclusive, who~~
18 ~~meets the requirements of R.S. 56:104(A)(8) or (B)(2) shall be exempt from payment~~
19 ~~of the permit fee required by this Paragraph.~~

20 * * *

21 §116. Wild birds and wild quadrupeds; special hunting seasons

22 * * *

23 C.(1) The commission may establish a special deer season for primitive
24 firearms. The taking of deer in such season shall be limited to persons who are
25 licensed in accordance with the provisions of ~~R.S. 56:103(C)(2)~~. R.S. 56:3002. The
26 commission shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations governing such season,
27 including the type and size of weapons used, licenses required, sex of deer to be
28 hunted, and the areas included in the season. In addition to any other weapon
29 restriction the commission may adopt, such rules and regulations shall provide that

1 breech loading rifles with a caliber of .35 or larger may be used during primitive
2 firearms season. The taking of deer during this season shall be limited to still
3 hunting and may be allowed in all or some areas of the state where deer hunting is
4 now or shall in the future be allowed.

5 * * *

6 D.(1) The commission shall establish a special open deer hunting season for
7 youth under eighteen years of age. The taking of deer in such a season shall be
8 limited to a weekend prior to the opening weekend of the regular gun season in all
9 of the applicable zones. ~~Both~~ Properly licensed resident and nonresident youths may
10 participate in this special season. Any youth participating in the special youth
11 hunting season shall be accompanied by one adult eighteen years of age or older, but
12 only the youth may participate in the actual hunting. If the accompanying adult is
13 in possession of a valid ~~hunting license, or a hunter safety certificate, or proof of~~
14 ~~successful completion of a hunter safety course approved by the department, a youth~~
15 ~~under sixteen~~ eighteen years of age shall not be required to have ~~any of~~ these items.
16 However, if the accompanying adult is not in possession of ~~any of~~ these items, the
17 youth shall be required to have in his possession either a hunter safety certificate or
18 proof of successful completion of a hunter safety course approved by the department.
19 A youth who is under the age of eighteen shall have in his possession a youth
20 hunting license ~~sixteen or seventeen shall have in his possession a basic hunting~~
21 ~~license and a big game license~~ as required by law. The accompanying adult shall
22 maintain visual and voice contact with the youth at all times.

23 (2) ~~The commission shall establish for 2014 a special open deer hunting~~
24 ~~season on private property for Louisiana residents who are honorably discharged~~
25 ~~veterans of the United States Armed Forces.~~ The commission may ~~thereafter~~
26 establish a special open deer hunting season for Louisiana residents who are
27 honorably discharged veterans of the United States Armed Forces. The taking of
28 deer in such a season shall be limited to a weekend prior to the opening weekend of
29 the regular gun season in all of the applicable zones and shall run concurrently with

1 the open deer hunting season for youth provided for in Paragraph (1) of this
 2 Subsection. In order to qualify for the veterans special season, a veteran shall hold
 3 and be in possession of either a basic hunting license and a ~~big game deer~~ deer license,
 4 a Sportsman's Paradise license, or an equivalent license that grants both basic
 5 hunting and deer privileges and shall be able to provide proof satisfactory to the
 6 department of such honorable discharge. The special open deer hunting season
 7 authorized pursuant to this Paragraph shall be applicable to hunting on private
 8 property only and shall not be applicable to any state-owned or ~~federally-owned~~
 9 federally owned or managed property.

10 §116.1. Wild birds and wild quadrupeds; times and methods of taking; penalties

11 * * *

12 C.

13 * * *

14 (3) There shall be no recreational bag limit on raccoon or opossum hunting
 15 during the open trapping season; however, the commission shall establish a
 16 recreational bag limit for such hunting during that period of the year when the
 17 trapping season is closed. No one shall ~~pelt or~~ sell the skins or carcasses of raccoons
 18 and opossums taken during the open trapping season unless he is the holder of a
 19 valid commercial trapper's license, ~~which shall be required in addition to his basic~~
 20 ~~hunting~~. However, carcasses of raccoons and opossums taken by the holder of a
 21 commercial trapper's license on the last day of trapping season may be pelted or sold
 22 on the day immediately following the close of the season.

23 * * *

24 SUBPART A-1. LOUISIANA DUCK ~~LICENSE~~, STAMP;
 25 AND PRINT PROGRAM

26 §151. Purpose

27 The hunting of migratory waterfowl has long been a source of recreation and
 28 tourism in Louisiana. In order to protect and preserve this most valuable asset, the
 29 Louisiana Duck ~~License~~, Stamp, and Print Program is created as a means of funding

1 approved projects through sale of a migratory waterfowl license, ~~hereinafter known~~
2 as the "duck license", and sale of duck stamps and prints.

3 * * *

4 §302. Recreational fishing ~~license~~; recreational gear

5 A. A recreational fisherman must purchase and possess the appropriate
6 required license as defined in R.S. 56:3001 ~~basic recreational fishing license in order~~
7 to use the following gear or to possess ~~fish~~ on the fishing grounds fish which have
8 been caught for recreational purposes:

9 (1) Hook and line (using a rod or fishing pole, hook and line, without a reel
10 and without using artificial bait).

11 (2) Bow and arrow.

12 (3) A barbless spear, or a multi-pronged barbed gig.

13 (4) Castnets with a radius not to exceed eight feet six inches.

14 (5) Frog gigs or catchers.

15 (6) Scuba gear.

16 (7) Crawfish nets.

17 (8) Dip nets.

18 (9) Landing nets.

19 (10) Minnow traps.

20 (11) Crab nets.

21 (12) Crab lines.

22 (13) Crab Traps: for use of no more than ten crab traps.

23 (14) Hoop nets: for use of no more than five hoop nets.

24 (15) Oyster tongs: for use of no more than one tong.

25 (16) Slat trap: for use of no more than five slat traps.

26 (17) Trawls: for use of no more than one trawl less than twenty-five feet in
27 length.

28 (18) Wire nets: for use of no more than five wire nets.

29 (19) Crawfish traps: for use of no more than thirty-five traps.

1 B. ~~In addition to a basic recreational fishing license, a recreational fisherman~~
2 ~~over the age of sixteen years using any gear listed in R.S. 56:302.3 must purchase a~~
3 ~~recreational gear license as provided therein. Anyone under the age of sixteen years~~
4 ~~shall not be required to purchase or possess a gear license. However, any person~~
5 ~~using crawfish nets, dip nets, landing nets, minnow traps, crab nets, or crab lines for~~
6 ~~the purpose of taking fish for recreational purposes shall not be required to purchase~~
7 ~~or possess a basic recreational fishing license or be required to purchase a gear~~
8 ~~license.~~

9 C. ~~A fisherman taking fish for sale, using any legal gear listed in R.S. 56:305,~~
10 ~~or legally taking fish in excess of any limitation as to size, length, or quantity for~~
11 ~~recreational fishermen must purchase a commercial fisherman's license, commercial~~
12 ~~gear license, and vessel license if applicable. This includes recreational fishermen~~
13 ~~taking fish using any gear listed in R.S. 56:305 for which a recreational gear license~~
14 ~~cannot be obtained pursuant to R.S. 56:302.3 and fishermen taking fish for sale using~~
15 ~~any legal gear.~~

16 C. No recreational fisherman shall use gill nets, trammel nets, strike nets, or
17 seines, except bait seines in compliance with R.S. 56:323.

18 §302.1. ~~Annual license; temporary license; fees; saltwater fee; exemptions~~ Saltwater
19 fishing; charter fishing

20 A. ~~The cost of the annual basic recreational fishing license is nine dollars~~
21 ~~and fifty cents for residents and sixty dollars for nonresidents, except that residents~~
22 ~~using a rod or fishing pole, hook and line, without a reel and without using artificial~~
23 ~~bait shall pay two dollars and fifty cents per year; however, any person required by~~
24 ~~this Part to possess a basic two dollars and fifty cents license shall be subject to a~~
25 ~~maximum fine of five dollars for not possessing the license as herein required, and~~
26 ~~there shall be no court costs associated with the fine.~~

27 B.(1) ~~In lieu of the basic recreational fishing license, nonresidents may~~
28 ~~purchase a temporary basic recreational freshwater fishing license for a fee of five~~
29 ~~dollars per day.~~

1 ~~(2) The revenues generated from the license fee imposed under this~~
2 ~~Subsection shall be deposited in the Wildlife and Fisheries Conservation Fund and~~
3 ~~shall be dedicated exclusively to the operation of the enforcement division.~~

4 ~~C.(1)(a) In addition to the annual basic recreational fishing license, any Any~~
5 ~~person fishing in the saltwater areas of the state defined in R.S. 56:322 must~~
6 ~~purchase and possess both a basic fishing license and a saltwater license or an~~
7 ~~equivalent license that grants both basic fishing and saltwater fishing privileges. The~~
8 ~~fee for the annual saltwater license is thirteen dollars and for residents and thirty~~
9 ~~dollars for nonresidents.~~

10 B. As a condition of the application for and the granting of the saltwater
11 license, all saltwater finfish caught or transported by the license holder while the
12 license is in effect are presumed to have been taken in the waters of Louisiana.

13 ~~(b) In lieu of purchase of an annual basic recreational fishing license and an~~
14 ~~annual saltwater license, a nonresident may purchase a temporary saltwater license~~
15 ~~valid for the number of days specified by the purchaser at a fee of seventeen dollars~~
16 ~~and fifty cents per day. Such license shall enable the nonresident to fish in the~~
17 ~~saltwater areas of the state for the period of time indicated on the license.~~

18 ~~(c) Between June 1, 2014, and May 31, 2018, in addition to the fee required~~
19 ~~by Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph for purchase of a saltwater fishing license,~~
20 ~~there shall be an additional fee of seven dollars and fifty cents to be paid for each~~
21 ~~license purchased by a resident that shall be credited to the Saltwater Fish Research~~
22 ~~and Conservation Fund, R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(g).~~

23 ~~(b) C. A person fishing with a licensed charter guide on board the vessel may~~
24 ~~purchase a charter passenger fishing trip license at a fee of five dollars. Such license~~
25 ~~shall be valid for three consecutive days Charter Three-Day Fishing license in lieu~~
26 ~~of a basic annual recreational fishing license.~~

27 ~~(c) In addition to the fee contained in Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, a~~
28 ~~person fishing with a licensed charter guide on board the vessel shall pay a five~~
29 ~~dollar fee which shall be deposited into the Conservation Fund as provided in R.S.~~

1 ~~56:10(B)(1)(f), and which shall be used by the department for promotion of the~~
2 ~~charter boat industry, protection of the fishery, and to provide for administrative~~
3 ~~costs of the fund. Such fees are to be expended for such purposes through the~~
4 ~~Louisiana Charter Boat Association.~~

5 ~~(d)(i) A resident who is totally and permanently disabled and receiving a~~
6 ~~disability benefit from the federal social security system or a disability retirement~~
7 ~~income from a retirement system whose members are exempt from federal social~~
8 ~~security, either pursuant to the Railroad Retirement Insurance Act, 45 U.S.C. §231,~~
9 ~~or because they are employees of a state or a political subdivision of the state that~~
10 ~~has not voluntarily agreed to participate in federal social security under 42 U.S.C.~~
11 ~~§418, may purchase a basic recreational fishing license for a fee of two dollars and~~
12 ~~fifty cents and a saltwater license for a fee of two dollars and fifty cents.~~

13 ~~(ii) A letter from the federal social security administration or retirement~~
14 ~~system granting disability benefits shall be required at time of purchase, along with~~
15 ~~proper identification. Such letter shall be evidence of qualification for the reduced~~
16 ~~fee provided for in this Subparagraph.~~

17 ~~(3) The saltwater license is not required for residents possessing a two~~
18 ~~dollars and fifty cents basic recreational fishing license and using only a rod or~~
19 ~~fishing pole, hook and line, without a reel and without using artificial bait.~~

20 ~~(4) The saltwater license must be purchased and the fee paid irrespective of~~
21 ~~any agreement or provision of law not specifically waiving the license or fee. The~~
22 ~~required saltwater angling license shall not preclude a person from fishing for~~
23 ~~freshwater species of fish south of the designated saltwater line described in R.S.~~
24 ~~56:322(A) or in saltwater lakes and bodies of water designated in R.S. 56:322(B). A~~
25 ~~person may take or possess in such designated saltwater areas, without a saltwater~~
26 ~~angling license, any freshwater species of fish in any number not otherwise~~
27 ~~prohibited by law, provided the person possesses a valid fishing license as otherwise~~
28 ~~required by law. For the purpose of enforcement, the department shall determine by~~
29 ~~rule which species of fish shall be classified as a freshwater species and which shall~~

1 ~~be classified as a saltwater species. Any person, without a valid saltwater angling~~
2 ~~license, that takes a saltwater species of fish as classified by the department from a~~
3 ~~designated saltwater area shall return such fish immediately to the waters from which~~
4 ~~taken without avoidable injury. An enforcement agent or officer of the department~~
5 ~~may inspect a fisherman's catch to insure compliance with this Paragraph.~~

6 D. A person may take or possess a freshwater species of fish while in the
7 saltwater areas designated by R.S. 56:322(B) without the necessity of a saltwater
8 license. The commission shall promulgate by rule the species of fish classified as
9 freshwater species. While in saltwater areas, a person possessing fish other than
10 those designated as freshwater species shall be required to possess either a saltwater
11 fishing license or an equivalent license that grants both basic and saltwater fishing
12 privileges. Any species of fish that is required to be returned to the water shall be
13 returned immediately to the water without avoidable injury from which it was taken.
14 An enforcement agent or officer of the department may inspect a fisherman's catch
15 to ensure compliance with this Paragraph.

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17 §302.10. Sale of recreational catch

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19 B. A violation of this Section shall constitute a class four violation. In
20 addition to the penalties provided in R.S. 56:34, any person convicted of a violation
21 of this Section shall be further penalized as follows:

22 (1) For the first violation, a person shall forfeit his fishing ~~license~~ privileges;
23 ~~and he shall not be issued a recreational license of any type and shall be barred from~~
24 ~~participating in any type of recreational fishing for a period of one year from the date~~
25 ~~of conviction.~~

26 (2) For the second violation, a person shall forfeit his fishing privileges
27 ~~license, and he shall not be issued a recreational license of any type and shall be~~
28 ~~barred from participating in any type of recreational fishing for a period of two years~~
29 ~~from the date of conviction.~~

1 (3) For the third violation, a person shall forfeit his fishing privileges license,
2 and he shall ~~never be issued a recreational license of any type and shall~~ be forever
3 barred from participating in any type of recreational fishing.

4 C. Any person who, after being barred, participates in a recreational fishing
5 activity ~~or obtains any recreational fishing license~~ during a time of revocation shall
6 be penalized under the provisions of R.S. 56:37(A)(2), upon conviction.

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8 §325.1. Size and possession limits, recreational saltwater finfish; penalties

9 A.(1) The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission may set by rule, in accordance
10 with the Administrative Procedure Act, daily take, and possession, and size limits for
11 saltwater finfish caught recreationally in Louisiana territorial waters, based on
12 biological and technical data. Aquaculturally raised fish, as ~~defined~~ provided in R.S.
13 ~~56:356~~, R.S. 56:411 et seq. shall be exempt from the provisions of this Section.

14 * * *

15 (3)(a) A recreational saltwater fisherman in possession of a valid basic and
16 saltwater license or an equivalent license that grants both basic fishing and saltwater
17 fishing privileges may possess twice the daily bag limit of red drum and spotted sea
18 trout; however, no person shall be in possession of over the daily bag limit while
19 fishing or while on the water, unless such recreational saltwater fisherman is aboard
20 a trawler engaged in commercial fishing for a consecutive period of longer than
21 twenty-five hours.

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23 C.

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25 (2) In addition to the penalties provided in Paragraph (1) of this Subsection,
26 the following penalties shall apply:

27 * * *

28 (d) Any violation of Subsection A or B of this Section shall, in addition to
29 any applicable fines, also be punishable by revocation of any and all fishing

1 privileges from licenses held by the violator for the period for which they were
2 issued and one year thereafter. ~~The violator shall also be prohibited from obtaining~~
3 ~~any new fishing license for a period of not less than one year nor more than three~~
4 ~~years thereafter.~~

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6 §325.3. Spotted sea trout commercial taking; annual quota; red drum commercial
7 taking, possession, or landing prohibited

8 A.(1) The commission shall establish a maximum annual quota for the
9 commercial harvest of spotted sea trout taken within Louisiana waters or landed in
10 Louisiana which shall not exceed one million pounds nor shall it be less than five
11 hundred thousand pounds. The commercial taking or harvesting of spotted sea trout
12 shall be prohibited within Louisiana waters west of Mermentau River. The Louisiana
13 Wildlife and Fisheries Commission shall establish an open season for the
14 commercial harvest of spotted sea trout which shall run from the second day of
15 January each year until the maximum annual quota is reached. The commercial
16 harvest or taking of spotted sea trout is prohibited during the period from sunset on
17 Friday through sunrise on Monday, and there shall be no possession of spotted sea
18 trout in excess of the recreational limit during the period between 10:00 p.m. and
19 5:00 a.m. However, when not on a commercial fishing trip, a person holding a permit
20 for the commercial taking or possessing of spotted sea trout may take or possess an
21 amount not to exceed the legal recreational limit of spotted sea trout between the
22 hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. during the open season and at any time during the
23 closed season if that person also possesses a basic recreational fishing license and a
24 saltwater fishing license or an equivalent license that grants both basic fishing and
25 saltwater fishing privileges. Only a rod and reel shall be used for the commercial
26 harvest of spotted sea trout. The provisions of this Section are subject to quotas and
27 size limits as established by law and rules and regulations of the commission. Fish
28 taken under recreational licenses shall not be sold, bartered, traded, or exchanged.

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1 §330. Crawfish harvesters; crawfish traps

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3 B. Crawfish may be taken ~~commercially~~ by properly licensed individuals
4 with approved crawfish traps. The openings of the flues or throats on crawfish traps
5 shall not exceed two inches.

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7 §500. Recreational possession limit; gear

8 A.~~(1)~~ A recreational fisherman may, in open waters in open season, with a
9 valid ~~recreational gear license for a trawl issued as provided for in R.S.~~
10 ~~56:302.3(B)(5)(a),~~ basic fishing license and a saltwater fishing license or an
11 equivalent license that grants both basic fishing and saltwater fishing privileges use
12 a trawl not to exceed ~~sixteen~~ twenty-five feet and may take no more than an
13 aggregate of ~~one~~ two hundred fifty pounds of shrimp per day to each boat, regardless
14 of the number of persons thereon, provided the shrimp taken are used for bait or for
15 the fisherman's own consumption and are not sold, traded, or otherwise permitted to
16 enter into commerce.

17 ~~(2) A recreational fisherman may, in open waters in open season, with a valid~~
18 ~~recreational gear license for a trawl issued as provided for in R.S. 56:302.3(B)(5)(b),~~
19 ~~use a trawl not to exceed twenty-five feet and may take no more than an aggregate~~
20 ~~of two hundred fifty pounds of shrimp per day to each boat, regardless of the number~~
21 ~~of persons thereon, provided the shrimp taken are used for bait or for the fisherman's~~
22 ~~own consumption and are not sold, traded, or otherwise permitted to enter into~~
23 ~~commerce.~~

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25 §641. ~~Hunting, fishing licenses; Wild Louisiana Stamp; multi-year issuance; fees~~

26 ~~A. The Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, through its secretary, may, in~~
27 ~~addition to the issuance of annual individual hunting and fishing licenses and in~~
28 ~~order to facilitate the distribution of sport hunting and fishing licenses as provided~~
29 ~~in this Chapter, provide for the issuance of hunting or fishing licenses, or the Wild~~

1 Louisiana Stamp, on a three year basis, exclusive of any other special licenses
2 otherwise authorized by law. The license may be issued on an individual license
3 basis or any license combination presently allowed by law. The fee for such
4 multi-year hunting or fishing licenses, or the Wild Louisiana Stamp, issued shall be
5 the same as the sum of the individual hunting or fishing license, or the Wild
6 Louisiana Stamp, or the sum of any combination hunting or fishing license as now
7 or hereafter provided by law. The department shall provide for computerized mail
8 renewal of all licenses or stamps issued under the provisions of this Section. The
9 secretary shall promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate the provisions of this
10 Section.

11 B. ~~The multiple year license fee collected under the provisions of this~~
12 ~~Section shall, after receipt and deposit in the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries~~
13 ~~Conservation Fund, as required by law, be appropriated on a pro-rata basis to the~~
14 ~~department.~~

15 Exclusive licensing authority; rules and regulations

16 A. The legislature finds that it is in the best interests of protecting,
17 conserving, and replenishing the wildlife and fisheries resources of the state that the
18 department, through its secretary, shall have authority to provide for the issuance of
19 hunting and fishing licenses through an electronic issuance system.

20 B. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the secretary
21 shall promulgate rules and regulations to implement an automated license issuance
22 system which includes but is not limited to the following nonexclusive authorization:

23 (1) To enter into contracts for the provisions of licensing services.

24 (2) To provide for regulations, qualification criteria, and compensation of
25 licensing agents.

26 (3) To provide for the funding for an automated license issuance system and
27 related services including license agent commissions.

28 (4) To provide for criteria to accept or reject applicants or suspend a
29 licensee.

1 (5) To provide for effective license numbers.

2 (6) To provide that a license may become effective immediately upon
3 issuance of an effective license number.

4 (7) To provide for special lottery-type issues.

5 (8) To enter into agreements for any manner of license issuance, distribution,
6 and compensation therefor, including contingency fee contracts.

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8 §645. Fishing and hunting license checkoff; donation for veterans with disabilities

9 A. Each individual who purchases a fishing or hunting license may make a
10 donation to help provide disabled veterans with hunting and fishing licenses. The
11 donation shall be made at the time of the purchase and shall be made upon the
12 license form prescribed by the secretary.

13 B. There is hereby created within the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries
14 a special escrow account known as the "Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Foundation
15 Escrow Account". The escrow account is created to receive deposits of donations
16 made for the benefit of disabled veterans when an individual purchases a fishing and
17 hunting license. The monies in the account shall be used solely to purchase hunting
18 and fishing licenses for disabled veterans. No more than ten percent of the monies
19 in the account shall be used for administrative costs. All unexpended and
20 unencumbered monies in this account at the end of the fiscal year shall remain in the
21 account. The monies in the account shall be invested by the state treasurer in the
22 same manner as monies in the state general fund.

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24 §649.1. Lifetime hunting license

25 ~~A. Any~~ Prior to June 1, 2022, any bona fide resident of this state may obtain
26 a lifetime hunting license. The lifetime hunting license shall be in lieu of the
27 following recreational hunting licenses: basic hunting, big game, primitive firearms,
28 bow hunting, the Louisiana duck license, the WMA hunting permit, and the wild
29 turkey license. After June 1, 2022, the license shall no longer be sold, but shall

1 continue to provide to any holder privileges in lieu of basic hunting, deer,
2 waterfowl, and turkey hunting licenses and shall permit WMA access.

3 B. ~~The fee for the lifetime hunting license shall be three hundred dollars. The~~
4 ~~fee for persons thirteen years of age or under shall be two hundred dollars.~~

5 §649.2. Lifetime sports fishing license

6 ~~Any~~ Prior to June 1, 2022, any bona fide resident of this state may obtain a
7 lifetime sports fishing license. The lifetime sports fishing license shall be in lieu of
8 the following recreational and sports fishing licenses: basic recreational fishing and
9 saltwater recreational fishing. ~~The fee for the lifetime sports fishing license shall be~~
10 ~~three hundred dollars. The fee for persons thirteen years of age or under shall be two~~
11 ~~hundred dollars.~~ After June 1, 2022, the license shall no longer be sold, but shall
12 continue to provide to any holder privileges in lieu of a basic fishing, saltwater, crab,
13 and recreational fishing gear licenses and shall permit WMA access for purposes
14 other than hunting.

15 §649.3. Combination lifetime hunting and sports fishing license

16 A. ~~Any~~ Prior to June 1, 2022, any bona fide resident of this state may obtain
17 a combination lifetime hunting and sports fishing license, which shall entitle the
18 licensee to all of the privileges of both the lifetime hunting and lifetime sports
19 fishing licenses provided for in R.S. 56:649.1 and 649.2. ~~The fee for the~~
20 ~~combination lifetime license shall be five hundred dollars. The fee for persons~~
21 ~~thirteen years of age or under shall be three hundred dollars. The fee for a resident~~
22 ~~who is sixty years of age or older shall be fifty dollars.~~ After June 1, 2022, the
23 license shall be in lieu of basic hunting, deer, waterfowl, and turkey hunting licenses,
24 basic, saltwater, crab, and recreational fishing gear licenses, and shall permit WMA
25 access.

26 B. ~~A~~ For any license purchased prior to June 1, 2022, a combination lifetime
27 hunting and sports fishing license holder shall be entitled to the individual gear
28 license privileges under the recreational gear license as provided in R.S. 56:302.3.
29 ~~However, an additional fee shall be levied for lifetime privileges for each~~

1 recreational fishing gear license in an amount that is equal to ten times the cost of an
2 annual license issued under the provisions of R.S. 56:302.3.

3 §649.4. Nonresident combination lifetime hunting and fishing license

4 ~~A. Any~~ Prior to June 1, 2022, any nonresident may obtain a combination
5 lifetime hunting and fishing license which shall entitle the licensee to all of the
6 privileges of both the lifetime hunting and lifetime sports fishing licenses provided
7 for in R.S. 56:649.1 and 649.2. ~~The fee for the nonresident combination lifetime~~
8 ~~license shall be three thousand dollars.~~

9 ~~B.(1) Any nonresident veteran of the armed forces of the United States or a~~
10 ~~reserve component, including the National Guard, who has a permanent~~
11 ~~service-connected disability classification of fifty percent or more, may obtain a~~
12 ~~combination lifetime hunting and fishing license which shall entitle the licensee to~~
13 ~~all of the privileges of both the lifetime hunting and lifetime sports fishing licenses~~
14 ~~provided for in R.S. 56:649.1 and 649.2. The fee for such nonresident combination~~
15 ~~lifetime license shall be three hundred dollars.~~

16 ~~(2) Such nonresident veteran must possess a valid Louisiana birth certificate,~~
17 ~~or provide satisfactory proof of having been a Louisiana resident for at least ten~~
18 ~~years.~~

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20 §649.7. Infant combination lifetime hunting and fishing license

21 ~~The~~ Until June 1, 2022, the department shall make available for persons from
22 birth to five years old who were born in Louisiana a combination lifetime hunting
23 and fishing license. Any such license purchased prior to June 1, 2022, which shall
24 entitle the licensee to all of the privileges of both lifetime hunting and lifetime sports
25 fishing licenses provided in R.S. 56:649.1 and 649.2. ~~The fee for the infant lifetime~~
26 ~~license shall be two hundred dollars.~~ After June 1, 2022, the license shall be in lieu
27 of basic hunting, deer, waterfowl, and turkey hunting licenses, basic, saltwater, crab,
28 and recreational fishing gear licenses, and shall permit WMA access.

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1 ~~hunting or fishing license or Wild Louisiana Stamp~~. The commission may require
2 the guide to submit, along with the payment of the client fees, the names and
3 addresses of persons for which the client fee has been paid.

4 D. Persons accompanying a licensed Wild Louisiana guide for whom the
5 guide is required to pay a client fee pursuant to Subsection C of this Section shall not
6 be required to possess a WMA Access Permit ~~Wild Louisiana Stamp~~ or possess a
7 ~~hunting or fishing license~~.

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9 CHAPTER 14. HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSING AND FEES

10 PART 1. RECREATIONAL LICENSES

11 §3000. Recreational license requirements; definitions

12 A.(1) Any person eighteen years or older engaged in an activity that involves
13 hunting, fishing, or accessing property owned by the department for which a license
14 is required shall have in their immediate possession a valid, original license, or an
15 effective license number, together with a form of personal identification, and shall
16 show such license and identification upon request to a duly authorized agent of the
17 department.

18 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, any
19 person younger than eighteen years of age engaged in an activity that necessitates the
20 use of deer tags or turkey tags, or involves participation in a youth lottery hunt shall
21 have in their immediate possession a valid, original youth license and shall show
22 such license upon request to a duly authorized agent of the department.

23 B. Licenses shall be valid beginning June first of each calendar year and
24 expiring on June thirtieth of the following calendar year. Licenses may be issued
25 beginning June first of each year for the following license year. In the case where
26 an additional license or permit is required for a specific activity or for the taking or
27 possession of certain species of wildlife or fisheries resources, the basic or
28 prerequisite license must be valid in order for the additional license to be valid. No

1 license shall be assigned or transferred to, or used by, any person other than the
2 individual to whom the license was issued.

3 C. Any license found in the possession of a person other than the person to
4 whom the license was issued shall be confiscated by an officer authorized to enforce
5 the provisions of this Part and shall be delivered to the department for cancellation.
6 Any license confiscated under the provisions of this Section shall be considered void.
7 Any violation of this Subsection shall constitute a class three violation punishable
8 as provided in R.S. 56:33.

9 D. Each license shall be effective only during the open season for the
10 particular species of wildlife or fisheries resource authorized to be taken under the
11 provisions of the license.

12 E.(1) No resident license may be issued until valid proof of Louisiana
13 residency has been provided by the applicant. Residents shall meet the residency
14 requirements specified in R.S. 56:8 for bona fide residents.

15 (2) The issuance of a license is conditional upon validation of all information
16 on the application. If the department finds any material misstatement of fact
17 regarding the residency of the applicant, the license shall be void and shall be
18 immediately surrendered to an agent of the department.

19 F. In addition to a person who qualifies as a resident of Louisiana, the
20 following people qualify for resident licenses:

21 (1) Any person who possesses a military identification card that signifies
22 that he is currently on active military duty with any one of the armed forces of the
23 United States, including the National Guard, or the spouse or dependent of such
24 person, may be issued a license for hunting or recreational fishing in Louisiana after
25 payment of the same fee as that required of Louisiana residents for that same license.
26 Any license purchased under the provisions of this Subsection shall be valid only
27 during that time when the person is on active duty in the armed forces of the United
28 States. In addition, the provisions of this Subsection shall not apply to the purchase
29 of lifetime licenses. The military identification card or dependent card and the

1 appropriate license must be on the licensee's person at all times when he is engaged
2 in hunting or fishing activities.

3 (2) A nonresident full-time student who is enrolled in a Louisiana public or
4 private high school or an accredited college or university that has a physical campus
5 in the state of Louisiana may purchase a resident license. The applicant shall show
6 a valid identification card issued by the high school, college, or university indicating
7 current full-time status and, when engaged in the activity authorized by the license,
8 must have both the license and the school identification card on his person.

9 G. A person may qualify for a Senior/Retired Military Hunting and Fishing
10 license as follows:

11 (1) A resident who reaches age sixty prior to June 1, 2000, may obtain an
12 annual Senior license for no cost.

13 (2) A resident who reaches age sixty between June 1, 2000, and May 31,
14 2022, may obtain an annual Senior Hunting and Fishing license for the cost of five
15 dollars.

16 (3) A resident who reaches age sixty-five on or after June 1, 2027, may
17 obtain an annual Senior Hunting and Fishing license for the cost of twenty dollars.

18 (4) Upon application to the department and showing identification and proof
19 of military service satisfactory to the department, any person who is a retired
20 member of the United States Armed Forces, the Louisiana Army National Guard, or
21 the Louisiana Air National Guard and was either born in Louisiana or is a bona fide
22 resident of Louisiana, may obtain an annual license at one-half the cost of an annual
23 resident license.

24 H. Upon identification and proof of disability satisfactory to the department,
25 the following people may be issued a Disabled/Special Needs Hunting and Fishing
26 license:

27 (1) A person who is a veteran of the armed forces, the Louisiana Army
28 National Guard, or the Louisiana Air National Guard, having a permanent service
29 connected disability classification of fifty percent or more.

1 (2) A resident who is blind, paraplegic, or is a single or multiple amputee,
2 or is required to use one or more artificial limbs or permanent braces for mobility as
3 a result of a permanent and total disability.

4 (3) A resident who is totally and permanently disabled and receiving a
5 disability benefit from the federal social security system or a disability retirement
6 income from a retirement system whose members are exempt from federal social
7 security, either pursuant to the Railroad Retirement Insurance Act, 45 U.S.C. 231,
8 or because they are employees of a state or a political subdivision of the state that
9 has not voluntarily agreed to participate in federal social security under 42 U.S.C.
10 418.

11 (4) Any resident of Louisiana who is the surviving spouse of a member of
12 the United States Armed Forces, the Louisiana Army National Guard, or the
13 Louisiana Air National Guard who was killed in action while in a combat zone, upon
14 showing identification and documentation satisfactory to the department.

15 I. Any nonpublic authorized issuing agent that issues any license under the
16 provisions of this Subpart may retain an amount not to exceed fifty cents of the fee
17 collected from the sale of each resident and active duty military license issued and
18 an amount not to exceed one dollar from the sale of each nonresident license issued.
19 The amount to be retained shall be promulgated by the commission.

20 J.(1) The secretary may exempt for good cause persons or groups of people
21 from the license fee requirements of this Part. Such exemption shall be in the form
22 of a letter of permit from the secretary. The commission is authorized to promulgate
23 rules and regulations that establish the criteria for such exemptions and that
24 otherwise implement the provisions of this Subsection.

25 (2) The secretary may, in his discretion and upon such terms and conditions
26 as he may prescribe, issue to accredited representatives of any public park, museum,
27 educational or scientific institution, or of the federal government or any state
28 government, recognized scientist, representative of the entertainment industry or to
29 any other responsible person a permit to take, possess, and transport at any time

1 within and from this state wild birds or the plumage, skins, nests, eggs, or young
 2 thereof and wild quadrupeds, the skins or young thereof; if the secretary is satisfied
 3 that they are to be taken or possessed for scientific, educational, experimental,
 4 entertainment industry, or breeding purposes only and are not to be sold or otherwise
 5 disposed of by the permittee for profit, and if the permittee obligates himself to
 6 deliver to the secretary within sixty days after taking, and in any event before the
 7 removal thereof from the state, a detailed descriptive inventory of the wild birds,
 8 wild quadrupeds, and other things taken under the permit.

9 §3001. Recreational fishing licenses; fees

10 A. Fishing licenses:

11 (1) Resident licenses including bona-fide residents, active and native-born
 12 retired members of the United States armed forces, including National Guard, and
 13 nonresident students.

14 (a) Hook and line license \$5.00/year
 15 (allows using a pole, hook and line, without a reel and without using artificial
 16 bait, dip nets, landing nets, minnow traps, crab nets, or crab lines)

17 (b) Basic fishing license \$17.00/year
 18 (includes all legal recreational freshwater gear)

19 (c) Saltwater fishing license \$15.00/year
 20 (includes all legal recreational saltwater gear)

21 (d) Charter three-day saltwater fishing license \$20.00

22 (e) Charter three-day freshwater fishing license \$10.00

23 (2) Nonresident licenses

24 (a) Basic fishing license \$68.00/year
 25 (includes all legal recreational freshwater gear)

26 (b) Saltwater fishing license \$60.00/year
 27 (includes all legal recreational saltwater gear)

28 (c) Five-day Basic fishing \$30.00

29 (includes all legal freshwater recreational gear)

1	<u>(d) Five-day Saltwater Fishing</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>
2	<u>(includes all legal saltwater recreational gear)</u>	
3	<u>(e) Charter boat three-day saltwater fishing license</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>
4	<u>(f) Charter boat three-day freshwater fishing license</u>	<u>\$10.00</u>
5	<u>§3002. Recreational hunting licenses; fees</u>	
6	<u>(1) Resident licenses including Louisiana residents, active and reserve</u>	
7	<u>members of the United States armed forces including National Guard, non-resident</u>	
8	<u>students:</u>	
9	<u>(a) Basic hunting license</u>	<u>\$20.00/year</u>
10	<u>(b) Deer hunting license</u>	<u>\$15.00/year</u>
11	<u>(includes deer tags, archery and primitive privileges)</u>	
12	<u>(c) Waterfowl license</u>	<u>\$12.00/year</u>
13	<u>(d) Turkey license (includes tags)</u>	<u>\$12.00/year</u>
14	<u>(e) Youth hunting license</u>	<u>\$5.00/year</u>
15	<u>(required for hunting deer, turkey, trapping, and youth lottery hunts)</u>	
16	<u>(2) Nonresident licenses</u>	
17	<u>(a) Basic hunting license</u>	<u>\$200.00/year</u>
18	<u>(b) Deer hunting license</u>	<u>\$100.00/year</u>
19	<u>(includes deer tags, archery and primitive privileges)</u>	
20	<u>(c) Waterfowl Hunting license</u>	<u>\$50.00/year</u>
21	<u>(d) Turkey Hunting license (includes tags)</u>	<u>\$50.00/year</u>
22	<u>(e) Five-day Basic Hunting license</u>	<u>\$65.00</u>
23	<u>(f) Five-Day Deer Hunting license</u>	<u>\$35.00</u>
24	<u>(g) Five-Day Waterfowl Hunting license</u>	<u>\$35.00</u>
25	<u>(h) Five-Day Turkey Hunting license</u>	<u>\$35.00</u>
26	<u>§3003. Resident and nonresident WMA permits; fees</u>	
27	<u>A. Basic WMA access permit</u>	<u>\$20.00/year</u>
28	<u>B. Five-Day WMA access permit</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>
29	<u>C. WMA camping permit</u>	<u>\$7.00/day</u>

1 §3004. Combination licenses (includes all hunting, fishing and WMA privileges);

2 fees

3 A. Resident licenses including Louisiana residents, active and reserve

4 members of the United States armed forces including National Guard, non-resident

5 students

6 (1) Sportsman's Paradise \$100.00/year

7 (2) Seniors and Retired Military \$20.00/year

8 (3) Disabled and special needs \$2.50/year

9 B. Nonresident:

10 (1) Sportsman's Paradise \$400.00/year

11 (2) Five-Day Blast and Cast \$120.00

12 §3005. Lifetime licenses

13 A. Louisiana resident \$500.00

14 B. Nonresident \$4,000.00

15 C. Youth resident (any resident under the age of eighteen) \$500.00

16 D. Senior (any resident sixty five years or older) \$100.00

17 §3006. Violations

18 Except as otherwise provided in this Title, hunting, fishing, or accessing

19 WMAs without the license required by this Subpart shall constitute a Class II

20 violation punishable under the provisions of R.S. 56:32.

21 PART II. REVENUE DEDICATIONS

22 §3007. Dedication of license revenue

23 A.(1) Except as otherwise provided, funds received from the sale of licenses

24 issued under the provisions of this Part shall be deposited into the Conservation

25 Fund.

26 (2) All funds received from the sale of lifetime licenses shall be deposited

27 as provided in R.S. 56:10.3.

28 (3) An amount equal to seven dollars and fifty cents for each Charter Boat

29 fishing license sold shall be deposited pursuant to R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(f).

1 (4) An amount equal to seven dollars and fifty cents for each saltwater
2 fishing license sold shall be deposited each year to the Saltwater Fish Research and
3 Conservation Fund.

4 (5) An amount equal to ten dollars from the sale of each waterfowl hunting
5 license shall be deposited to the Louisiana Duck License, Stamp.

6 (6) An amount equal to the fees collected for each WMA access permit and
7 daily camping permit shall be deposited into the Wildlife Habitat and Natural
8 Heritage Trust as provided for in R.S. 56:1923 and shall be expended solely for land
9 acquisition and for management and operations of wildlife refuges, management
10 areas, and public hunting grounds.

11 (7) An amount equal to seven dollars and fifty cents from the sale of each
12 turkey hunting license shall be deposited to the Wild Turkey Fund.

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14 Section 4. The provisions of this Act shall not apply to wild caught crawfish.

15 Section 5. R.S. 34:851.20(N) is hereby repealed in its entirety.

16 Section 6. R.S. 56:302.9.1(D) and 305(C)(3) and (G) are hereby repealed in their
17 entirety.

18 Section 7. R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(d), (6), and (13), 103(E) and (F), 103.1, 104, 105, 155,
19 156, 157, 164, 165, 166, 302.1, 302.2, 302.3, 302.4, 302.5, 302.6, 303.6(A)(2), 641.1, 642,
20 643, 646, 647.1, 649.5, 649.6, 650, 650.1, and 1832 are hereby repealed in their entirety.

21 Section 8. All licenses and registration required by the Department of Wildlife and
22 Fisheries shall be made available as digitized credentials as authorized by Subpart E of Part
23 I of Chapter 1 of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, commonly referred to
24 as "LA Wallet", by January 1, 2023.

25 Section 9. The changes to commercial license fees contained in Section 2 of this Act
26 shall be phased in by the department, where fifty percent of each fee increase or decrease
27 shall be implemented starting on June 1, 2022, and the remaining fifty percent of each fee
28 increase or decrease shall be implemented starting on June 1, 2024.

1 Section 10. Sections 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, and 8 of this Act shall become effective on
 2 November 15, 2021.

3 Section 11. Sections 3, 6, and 9 of this Act shall become effective on June 1, 2022.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Restructures the hunting and fishing licensing system for the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries.

Proposed law restructures the recreational fishing and hunting licenses as follows:

<u>Present Resident Privilege</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Proposed Resident Privilege</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Res Hook and Line	\$2.50	Res Hook and Line	\$ 5.00
Res Basic Fishing	\$ 9.50	Res Basic Fishing	\$17.00
Res Rec Wire Net (5)	\$ 20.00		
Res Rec Pipes/Drums (5)	\$ 10.00		
Res Rec Cans/Buckets (5)	\$ 10.00		
Res Hoop Nets (5)	\$ 20.00		
Res Rec Crawfish Traps (35)	\$ 15.00		
Res Rec Slat Traps (5)	\$ 20.00		
Res Rec Crab Traps	\$ 15.00		
Res Saltwater	\$ 13.00	Res Saltwater Fishing	\$15.00
Res Rec Trawl(to 16')	\$ 25.00		
Res Rec Oyster Tong	\$ 5.00		
Resident Rec Trawl(to 25')	\$ 80.00		
R/NR Charter Passenger(3 day)	\$ 10.00	Res Charter (3 day) Saltwater	\$20.00
		Res Charter (3 day) Freshwater	\$10.00
Res Basic Hunting	\$ 15.00	Res Basic Hunt	\$ 20.00
Res Trapper-15 & older	\$ 25.00	Res Youth	\$ 5.00
Res Trapper-14 & Under	\$ 5.00		
Res Big Game	\$ 14.00	Res Deer	\$ 15.00
Res Bow Hunting	\$ 10.50		
Res Primitive Firearm	\$ 10.50		
Res La Duck	\$ 5.50	Res Waterfowl	\$12.00
Res Big Game	\$ 14.00	Res Wild Turkey	\$12.00
Res Wild Turkey	\$ 5.50		
Res La Sportsman's Paradise	\$100.00	Res La Sportsman's Paradise	\$100.00
Res Senior Hunt/Fish (60 or older)	\$ 5.00	Res Senior/Retired Military Hunt/Fish	

(65 or older)

\$20.00

Hunt/Fish-Disabled	\$ 0.00	Disabled or Special Needs Hunt/Fish Combo	\$ 2.50
Fish - Disabled	\$ 0.00		
Hunt - Disabled	\$ 0.00		
LA Disabled Fishing	\$ 2.50		
LA Disabled Saltwater	\$ 2.50		
Res. Disabled Basic Hunting	\$ 5.00		
Res Disabled Big Game	\$ 5.00		
Res Disabled Bow	\$ 5.00		
Res Disabled Primitive Firearm	\$ 5.00		
Res/Native Ret. Military Hunt/Fish	\$ 5.00		
Res/Surv. Spouse Military KIA Fish	\$ 2.50		
Res/Surv. Spouse Military KIA Hunt	\$ 2.50		

Lifetime Resident Combo 14+	\$500.00	Lifetime Resident Combo	\$500.00
Lifetime Resident Hunting 14+	\$300.00		
Lifetime Resident Fishing 14+	\$300.00		
Lifetime Res. Crawfish Traps	\$150.00		
Lifetime Res. Crab Trap	\$100.00		
Lifetime Res. Slat Trap	\$200.00		
Lifetime Res. Trawl(to 16')	\$250.00		
Lifetime Res. Trawl(to 25')	\$800.00		
Lifetime Res. Oyster Tong	\$ 50.00		
Lifetime Res. Wire Net	\$200.00		
Lifetime Res. Pipes/Drums	\$100.00		
Lifetime Res. Cans/Buckets	\$100.00		
Lifetime Res. Hoop Nets	\$200.00		
Lifetime Resident Combo -14	\$300.00	Res Youth Lifetime	\$500.00
Lifetime Resident Hunting -14	\$200.00		
Lifetime Resident Fishing -14	\$200.00		
Lifetime Resident Infant H/F	\$200.00		
Lifetime Resident Senior	\$ 50.00	Res Senior Lifetime	\$100.00

<u>Present Nonresident Privilege</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Proposed NonResident Privilege</u>	<u>Cost</u>
NR Fish Season	\$ 60.00	NR Annual Basic Fishing	\$ 68.00
NR Rec Wire Nets(5)	\$ 80.00		
NR Rec Pipes/Drums(5)	\$ 40.00		
NR Rec Cans/Buckets(5)	\$ 40.00		
NR Rec Crawfish Traps(35)	\$ 60.00		
NR Rec Slat Traps(5)	\$ 80.00		
NR Hoop Nets(5)	\$ 80.00		
NR Rec Crab Traps(10)	\$ 60.00		
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NR Saltwater Fish Season	\$ 30.00	NR Annual Saltwater Fishing	\$ 60.00
NR Rec Trawl(to 16')	\$100.00		
NR Rec Oyster Tong	\$ 20.00		
NR Rec. Trawl (to 25')	\$320.00		
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NR Freshwater Fishing Trip(1 day)	\$ 5.00	NR 5-Day Basic Fishing	\$ 30.00
NR Saltwater Trip(1 day)	\$ 17.50	NR 5-Day Saltwater Fishing	\$ 30.00
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R/NR Charter Passenger(3 day)	\$ 10.00	NR Charter (3 day) Saltwater	\$20.00
NR Charter Skiff(3 day)	\$ 30.00	NR Charter (3 day) Freshwater	\$10.00

NR Hunting Season	\$150.00	NR Annual Basic Hunting	\$200.00
NR Trapper License	\$200.00		
NR Big Game Season	\$150.00	NR Annual Deer	\$100.00
NR Bow Hunting	\$ 26.00		
NR Primitive Firearm	\$ 26.00		
NR Deer (1-day)	\$ 36.00	NR 5-Day Basic Hunt	\$ 65.00
LA Native NR Hunt(5 day)	\$ 15.00		
LA Native NR BG Game(5 day)	\$ 14.00		
LA Native NR Bow(5 day)	\$ 10.50	NR 5-Day Deer	\$ 35.00
LA Native NR Primitive(5 day)	\$ 10.50		
NR LA Duck	\$ 25.00	NR Annual Waterfowl	\$ 50.00
NR Small Game/MigBird(1-day)	\$ 29.00	NR 5-Day Waterfowl	\$ 35.00
LA Native NR Duck(5 day)	\$ 5.50		
NR Big Game Season	\$150.00	NR Annual Wild Turkey	\$ 50.00
NR Wild Turkey	\$ 20.50		
NR Turkey (1-day)	\$ 36.00	NR 5-Day Wild Turkey	\$ 35.00
LA Native NR Turkey(5 day)	\$ 5.50		
NR Student Basic Fishing	\$ 9.50	Treated as Resident Licenses	
NR Student Salt Fishing	\$ 5.50		
NR Student Basic Hunting	\$ 15.00		
NR Student Big Game	\$ 14.00		
NR Student Bow	\$ 10.50		
NR Student Primitive Firearm	\$ 10.50		
NR Student Duck	\$ 5.50		
NR Student Wild Turkey	\$ 5.50		
Res/NR Military Fishing	\$ 9.50		
Res/NR Military Saltwater	\$ 5.50		
Res/NR Military Hunting	\$ 15.00		
Res/NR Military Big Game	\$ 14.00		
Res/NR Military Bow	\$ 10.50		
Res/NR Military Primitive Firearm	\$ 10.50		
Res/NR Military Duck	\$ 5.50		
Res/NR Military Wild Turkey	\$ 5.50		
Lifetime NR Combination	\$3,000.00	Lifetime NR	\$4,000.00
NR Hunting Preserve(10/1 - 4/30)	\$ 15.00	Eliminated	
NR Outdoor Press Fish 3-day	\$ 0.00		
NR Outdoor Press Hunt 3-day	\$ 0.00		
ALL			
WMA Hunting Permit(age 18-60)	\$ 15.00	WMA Basic Access Permit	\$ 20.00
Wild LA Stamp	\$ 9.50	WMA 5-Day Access Permit	\$ 5.00
Wild LA Stamp(1 day)	\$ 2.00	WMA Camping Permit	\$ 7.00

Present law provides for the Crab Promotion and Marketing Fund.

Proposed law renames the fund to the Crab Development, Management and Derelict Crab Trap Removal Account. Further creates the Oyster Resource Management Account, the Crawfish Development and Management Account, the Louisiana Duck License, Stamp, and Print Fund, the Louisiana Wild Turkey Fund, the Lifetime License Endowment Trust Fund

and the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Foundation Escrow Account. Further provides for the disposition of monies.

Proposed law provides for hunting reciprocity with Mississippi to become operative when the state of Mississippi grants reciprocal privileges to the holders of hunting and fishing or angling licenses issued by the state of Louisiana.

Proposed law provides for turkey hunting reciprocity with neighboring states if the neighboring state has a similar wild turkey stamp or license requirement and fee.

Proposed law authorizes the establishment of a Nuisance Wildlife Control Operator Program

Proposed law establishes or changes commercial fees as follows:

- (1) Hunting Guide license - \$150 for residents, \$600 for nonresident.
- (2) Breeder's license from \$25 to \$50.
- (3) Alligator hunting & Fur trapping from \$25 to \$40 for residents and from \$200 to \$160 for nonresidents.
- (4) Fur Buyer's license from \$25 to \$55 for residents and from \$100 to \$215 for nonresidents.
- (5) Fur Dealer's license from \$150 to \$400 for residents and from \$300 to \$800 for nonresidents and no deposit.
- (6) Nongame quadruped exhibitor license from \$10 to \$20.
- (7) Nongame quadruped breeder license from \$25 to \$50.
- (8) Alligator parts dealer license from \$50 to \$105.
- (9) Alligator parts retailer license from \$5 to \$10.
- (10) Resident charter boat fishing guide license from \$250 to \$150 (freshwater), \$300 for vessel with 6 passengers or less (saltwater), or \$700 for vessel with more than 6 passengers (saltwater).
- (11) Nonresident charter boat fishing guide license from \$1,000 to \$1,500 (saltwater), or \$500 (freshwater)
- (12) Commercial fisherman's license from \$55 to \$96 for residents and from \$460 to \$620 for nonresidents.
- (13) Resident senior commercial fishing license from \$20 to \$50.
- (14) Gulf Seafood Traversing & Offloading License \$75 for residents and \$800 for nonresidents.
- (15) Fresh products license from \$20 to \$61 for residents and from \$120 to \$300 for nonresidents.
- (16) Vessel license from \$15 to \$50 for the first vessel, \$35 for the second vessel, and \$20 for the third and subsequent vessel for residents; and from \$60 to \$400 for nonresidents.
- (17) Oyster gear license - \$50 per tong/scrapper.

- (18) Crab gear license - \$40 for crab trap use.
- (19) Saltwater finfish gear license - \$300 per mullet/pompano strike net, \$350 rod and reel, \$3,000 per purse seine/menhaden seine, and \$50 cast net use.
- (20) Crawfish gear license - \$50 for crawfish trap use.
- (21) Freshwater gear license - \$50 for one shad gill net or one shad seine, or use of other netting specified.
- (22) Wholesale/retail seafood dealer's license from \$250 to \$625 for residents and from \$1105 to \$3,000 for nonresidents.
- (23) Retail seafood dealer's license from \$105 to \$375 for residents and from \$405 to \$1,500 for nonresidents.
- (24) Transport license from \$30 to \$83 per vehicle.
- (25) Special permit issued for the commercial taking or sale by a commercial fisherman of spotted sea trout from \$100 to \$50 for residents and from \$400 to \$600 for nonresidents.
- (26) Reptile and amphibian wholesale/retail dealer's license from \$105 to \$220 for a resident and from \$405 to \$880 for a nonresident.
- (27) Domesticated aquatic organism license from \$15 to \$25 for residents and from \$400 to \$500 for nonresidents.
- (28) Oyster seed ground vessel permit from \$250 to \$50 for a resident and from \$1,000 to \$200 for a nonresident, plus Public Oyster Seed Ground gear license for \$200 per year for a resident and \$800 per year for a nonresident.
- (29) Reptile and amphibian collector's license from \$25 to \$55 for a resident and from \$200 to \$420 for a nonresident, and changes the requirement to possess a collector's license for residents from under 16 to under 18 years.
- (30) Nonresident three-day reptile and amphibian wholesale/retail dealer's license from \$75 to \$150.
- (31) Reptile and amphibian transport license from \$30 to \$65 per vehicle for a resident and from \$120 to \$250 per vehicle for a nonresident with an application fee for such license from \$200 to \$420.

Proposed law provides that any required species specific culture permit shall cost \$100 and all other species specific permits shall cost \$50. Further provides that mariculture permits shall cost \$500 annually.

Proposed law further changes the date for when a wholesale/retail seafood dealer can purchase a license for the following license year from October 1 to November 15 of the prior year.

Proposed law prohibits the commercial taking or sale by a commercial fisherman of shark except by special permit a cost of \$25.

Proposed law requires the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries to offer all licenses and credentials on LA Wallet.

Proposed law requires the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries to phase in the changes to

commercial license fees contained in Section 2 by implementing fifty percent of each fee increase or decrease starting on June 1, 2022, and the remaining fifty percent of each fee increase or decrease starting on June 1, 2024.

Present law allows any person born in La. who possesses a valid Louisiana birth certificate to purchase a nonresident temporary hunting license that is valid for five consecutive days for the cost of a resident hunting license. Proposed law adds basic fishing privileges and extends the period for which the license is valid from 5 days to 10 days.

(Amends R.S. 34:851.20(A)(1), and 851.32(A), R.S. 56:8(16)(a)(ii) and (b)(i), 10(B)(1)(a)(i), (e), (f), and (g), (5), (7)(a), (9), and (10), and (D), 10.1(B) and (C), 103(A) and (C)(1), 104(A)(7), 109(D), 116(C)(1) and (D), 116.1(C)(3), the heading of Subpart A-1 of Part IV of Chapter 1 of Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, 151, 171(A), 172(B), 251(A)(1) and (3) through (6), 253(C)(1), 258, 262(A), (B), and (D), 263(A), 302, 302.1(Section heading) and (A) through (C), 302.9(A)(1), (C), and (F), 302.9.1(A), (B), and (E), 302.10(B)(1) through (3) and (C), 303(B), (D)(1), and (F), 303.1.1(B), (C), and (E), 303.6(B), 304(B) and (C), 304.1(B), 305(B) and (C)(1), 305.1(B) and (C), 306(B)(6)(c), 306.1(B)(7)(b) and (c), 306.2(A) and (B), 306.3(B), 307.1(A), 322.1(A), 322.2(A), 325.1(A)(1), (3)(a), and (C)(2)(d), 325.3(A)(1) and (C), 326(E)(2) and (H), 330(B), 412(A)(2) and (5), 433.1(Section heading) and (A)(1), 442(B), 449(B), 492, 494(E)(5) and (F), 500(A), 501(B)(2), 632.4(A)(1) through (3), 632.5(A) and (E), 632.9(B)(1), 641, 649.1, 649.2, 649.3, 649.4, 649.7, 653(A)(introductory paragraph), and 1833; Adds R.S. 56:8(16)(a)(v), 10(B)(4) and (7)(c), 10.3, 102, 112(C), 302.1(D), 303(G), 411(B)(4) through (6), 645, 678, 679, and R.S. 56:3000 through 3007; Repeals R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(d), (6), and (13), 103(E) and (F), 103.1, 104, 105, 155, 156, 157, 164, 165, 166, 302.1, 302.2, 302.3, 302.4, 302.5, 302.6, 302.9.1(D), 303.6(A)(2), 305(C)(3) and (G), 641.1, 642, 643, 646, 647.1, 649.5, 649.6, 650, 650.1, and 1832)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment to the original bill:

1. Decrease the cost of a commercial fishing license for residents from \$155.00 to \$110.00.
2. Decrease the cost of the Gulf Seafood Traversing and Offloading License for residents (Federal Exclusive Economic Zone "EEZ") from \$200.00 to \$175.00.
3. Decrease the cost of the commercial vessel license for residents from \$100.00 to \$70.00.
4. Change the crab gear crab trap fee and crawfish gear crawfish trap fee from \$15 plus and additional \$.50 per trap to a flat rate of \$50.00.
5. Provide that \$10.00 per resident commercial shrimp gear license sold and \$40.00 per nonresident commercial shrimp gear license sold annually go into the Shrimp Development and Management Account.
6. Change the amount of revenues collected from the issuance of wholesale out-of state crab shipping licenses to be deposited into the Crab Development, Management and Derelict Crab Trap Removal Account from 10% of revenues to collected to all revenues collected.
7. Change the amount of revenues collected from the issuance of retail out-of state crab shipping licenses to be deposited into the Crab Development, Management and Derelict Crab Trap Removal Account from 10% of revenues collected to all revenues collected.

8. Change the annual fee for a nonresident charter fishing guide license from \$1,000.00 to \$1,500.00.
9. Remove a provision that would have created the "Crawfish Development and Management Account" to collect certain fees for the sale of commercial gear licenses.
10. Remove a provision that would have provided a credit, of revenues collected from the sale of crawfish gear fees, to the Crawfish Development and Management Account.
11. Make technical changes.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Remove "paddle crafts" and "kayaks" from the proposed law.
2. Remove the reduction in fees for the oyster harvester license.
3. Require the department to phase in the changes to commercial license fees.
4. Allow anyone that lives out of state who possesses a valid Louisiana birth certificate to purchase a nonresident temporary 10 day hunting and fishing license for the cost of a resident hunting license.
5. Provide a discounted fee for registration of more than one commercial vessel.
6. Require the department to offer all licenses and credentials on LA Wallet.
7. Reduce the proposed increase for certain commercial license fees by 25% of the proposed increase.
8. Reduce the proposed lifetime Louisiana resident license fee by 50%.
9. Reduce the proposed increase for disabled/special needs hunting and fishing licenses.
10. Reduce the proposed increase for the Gulf Seafood Traversing and Offloading License.
11. Remove fees related to commercial shrimp.
12. Provide an exception for wild caught crawfish.
13. Modify the cost of the wholesale/retail seafood dealer's license and the transport license.
14. Modify provisions related to the Louisiana Duck License, Stamp, and Print Fund and change the associated use.
15. Make technical changes.