

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 791

BY REPRESENTATIVE KERNER

FISHING/PENALTIES: Provides relative to charter fishing without required credentials

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 56:302.9(J), relative to penalties for charter fishing without required
3 credentials; to provide for revocation of basic and saltwater fishing privileges; and
4 to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 56:302.9(J) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §302.9. Charter boat fishing guide license; nonresident fee

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9 J. In addition to any other penalty applicable to a conviction of a second or
10 subsequent violation of Subsection A of this Section the department may suspend or
11 revoke any recreational fishing privileges held by the offender for a period of one
12 year.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes the suspension or revocation of any recreational fishing privilege for a period of one year for charter fishing without required credentials.

Present law requires a charter boat fishing guide to possess a valid state charter boat fishing guide license, a valid captain's license issued by the U.S. Coast Guard, proof of liability insurance, and a valid state recreational fishing license that grants fishing privileges

appropriate for his charter activity. Further provides penalties for violating these requirements.

Proposed law adds suspension or revocation of any recreational fishing privilege for a period of one year to the penalties available for a second or subsequent offense of charter fishing without proper credentials.

(Adds R.S. 56:302.9(J))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Make the penalty of license suspension and revocation available for second and subsequent offenses, rather than for third and subsequent offenses.