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Dept./Agy.: Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

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Provides relative to the commercial menhaden catch

<u>Proposed law</u> places take restrictions on menhaden companies using vessels equipped with purse seines that are operating within Louisiana territorial waters. <u>Proposed law</u> requires these companies to report location, length based on a subset of 50 fish, and estimated tonnage per set to the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) on a weekly basis. The LDWF will be required to compile, evaluate, and publish any data received on a weekly basis. <u>Proposed law</u> gives LDWF the ability to promulgate rules regarding area fishing restrictions.

EXPENDITURES	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$198,456	\$177,191	\$180,335	\$183,541	\$186,812	\$926,335
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law will result in an increase in expenditures out of the statutorily dedicated Conversation Fund within the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to meet the requirements for data analysis and publication. Proposed law requires the department to compile, evaluate, and publish data received from menhaden fisheries on a weekly basis. The department indicates it will incur a one-time expenditure of \$25,000 in FY 23 to make the necessary changes to the Fisheries Data Management system to accommodate the weekly reporting.

In addition, the department will need additional personnel to compile, evaluate, and publish the data on a weekly basis. The department is requesting two additional biologist. The Biologist 2 position has a midpoint salary of \$53,903 with \$32,825 in related benefits, a total of \$86,728 per position. For both positions, assuming a 2% annual market rate adjustment, the totals salary estimates are: FY 23 - \$173,456; FY 24 - \$177,191; FY 25 - \$180,335; FY 26 - \$183,541; and FY 27 - \$186,812.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

<u>Senate</u> x 13.5.1 >=	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u> \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}	House 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}	Evan	Brasseaux
13.5.2 >=	\$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee	6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase	Evan Brassea Interim Depu	aux utv Fiscal Officer