

**HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS****HB 1060****2022 Regular Session****Coussan**

FISHING/LICENSES: Provides relative to freshwater charter boat fishing guide licenses

**Synopsis of Senate Amendments**

1. Requires the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries provide written notification to holders of a freshwater charter guide license that he may be subject to other requirements of law, including holding a valid captain's license issued by the United States Coast Guard.
2. Makes technical changes.

**Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate**

Present law requires residents and nonresidents to obtain a freshwater charter boat fishing guide license in order to represent himself to be a charter boat fishing guide. Further requires both freshwater and saltwater charter guides possess a valid captain's license issued by the U.S. Coast Guard.

Proposed law removes the requirement that a freshwater charter boat fishing guide possess a valid captain's license issued by the U.S. Coast Guard in order to conduct guided fishing tours in freshwater. Further requires the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries provide written notification to license holders that they may be subject to other requirements of law, including holding a valid captain's license issued by the U.S. Coast Guard. Additionally, provides an exception to a licensure violation for a person who represents himself as a charter boat fishing guide if the person possessed a valid license during the previous 30 days but has not renewed.

(Amends R.S. 56:302.9(A)(1) and (3); Adds R.S. 56:302.99A(4))