
HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2024 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment to
Original House Bill No. 543 by Representative ZeringueAMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 3, after "Legislature and" delete "R.S. 56:3001(A)(4)" and insert in lieu thereof "R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(f), 302.9(B), (C)(3)(c), and (G), and 3001(A)(4)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 9, after "Section 1." delete "R.S. 56:3001(A)(4)" and insert in lieu thereof "R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(f), 302.9(B), (C)(3)(c), and (G), and 3001(A)(4)"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

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

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B.(1) Subject to the exception contained in Article VII, Section 9(A) of the Constitution of Louisiana, all funds collected by the commission from every source shall be paid into the state treasury and shall be credited to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund. Out of the funds remaining in the Bond Security and Redemption Fund after a sufficient amount is allocated from that fund to pay all obligations secured by the full faith and credit of the state which become due and payable within any fiscal year, the treasurer shall, prior to placing such remaining funds in the state general fund, conform to the following:

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(f) There is hereby created in the Conservation Fund; a special escrow account known as the Charter Boat Fishing Escrow Account Fund. ~~The escrow account is created to receive deposits of charter promotion fees collected pursuant to R.S. 56:302.9(C)(3)(c) and 3001. Monies deposited into the fund shall be used by the department Louisiana Charter Boat Association for the promotion of the charter boat industry, protection of the fishery, and to provide for administrative costs of the fund. Such funds are to be expended for such purposes through the Louisiana Charter Boat Association.~~

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AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, line 6, after "Fishing" and before "pursuant" change "Fund" to "Escrow Account"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, between lines 17 and 18, insert the following:

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

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B. A nonresident fishing from a vessel operated by a licensed charter boat fishing guide shall purchase and possess the appropriate required license as defined in R.S. 56:3001(B) ~~a valid license to fish in the saltwater areas of the state.~~ Each nonresident shall also possess a valid out-of-state motor vehicle operator's license or such other proof of residency as the department may require.

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

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G. Except for the charter promotion fee provided for in Subparagraph (C)(3)(c) of this Section, all annual license ~~The fees derived pursuant to this Section shall be placed in the conservation fund. Ten percent of the fees collected annually from the sale of charter boat fishing guide licenses shall be used by the department for the promotion of the industry and protection of the fishery. Such fees are to be expended for such purposes through the Louisiana Charter Boat Association.~~

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