2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 537

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOURRIAQUE

## WILDLIFE & FISHERIES: Reallocates money received from fur trapping licenses

1	AN ACT		
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 56:266(D)(1), relative to appropriations; to provide for		
3	reallocation of money received from fur trapping licenses into the Louisiana Fur		
4	Public Education and Marketing Fund; and to provide for related matters.		
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:		
6	Section 1. R.S. 56:266(D)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:		
7	§266. Louisiana Fur Public Education and Marketing Fund		
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9	D. Appropriations		
10	(1) All revenues received by the state from license fees imposed on trappers		
11	as required in R.S. 56:251(A)(1) shall be credited to the Bond Security and		
12	Redemption Fund. After a sufficient amount is allocated from that fund to pay all		
13	obligations secured by the full faith and credit of the state which become due and		
14	payable within any fiscal year, the state treasurer is authorized and directed to		
15	transfer annually the amount of twenty dollars for each resident trapping license sold		
16	and one hundred forty-five dollars for each nonresident trapping license sold, all		
17	from revenues derived from the sale of said licenses these license fees, into a special		
18	fund designated as the Louisiana Fur Public Education and Marketing Fund.		
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## DIGEST

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Abstract: Changes the allocation of revenues received by the state from license fees imposed on trappers by directing all revenue to the Louisiana Fur Public Education and Marketing Fund.

<u>Present law</u> requires all revenues received by the state from license fees imposed on trappers as required in <u>present law</u> (R.S. 56:251(A)(1)) be credited to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund. <u>Present law</u> provides that the state treasurer is authorized and directed to transfer annually excess revenues derived from the sale of such licenses into a special fund designated as the La. Fur Public Education and Marketing Fund, in the amount of \$20 for each resident trapping license sold and \$145 for each nonresident trapping license sold.

<u>Proposed law</u> modifies <u>present law</u> by specifying that the state treasurer is authorized and directed to transfer annually all revenues derived from license fees for trapping licenses to the La. Fur Public Education and Marketing Fund.

(Amends R.S. 56:266(D)(1))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

- The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Natural Resources and</u> <u>Environment</u> to the <u>original</u> bill:
- 1. Delete "<u>excess</u> from" from provisions governing revenues received by the state from trapper licensing fees. The effect of the amendment is to authorize and direct the state treasurer to transfer annually <u>all</u> revenues derived from the licensing fees into the Louisiana Fur Public Education and Marketing Fund.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Make technical changes.