



LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **HB 497** HLS 25RS 983

Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Dept./Agy.: Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries		
Subject: Catch and Cook Program		Analyst: Richie Anderson

FISHING

RE NO IMPACT See Note

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Provides for the Louisiana Catch and Cook Program

Present law authorizes the Secretary of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) to establish the Louisiana Catch and Cook Program to allow retail food establishments to prepare fish from recreational licensed fishermen or alligator hunters. Proposed law expands the eligibility to include licensed charter captains. Proposed law provides that LDWF, in conjunction with the Louisiana Charter Boat Association, Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board, and the Restaurant Association shall promote the program. Finally, the proposed law introduces stricter labeling rules, requiring the date, time, name, and address of the fishermen.

EXPENDITURES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

REVENUES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

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

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

House

☐ 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}

☐ 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}

☐ 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

☐ 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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