

New law authorizes retail food establishments to receive and prepare any freshwater or saltwater recreational fish taken by a licensed recreational fisherman for consumption by that recreational fisherman or any person in his party.

Creates the Louisiana Catch and Cook Program within the DWF and authorizes the secretary, in conjunction with DHH, to promulgate rules and regulations for the program. Provides certain content and requirements of the rules.

Requires the DWF to issue permits for retail food establishments who wish to participate in the program.

Prohibits any fee for the application process or permit.

Provides that the permit may be suspended or revoked by the DWF for any violation of the rules and regulations of the program.

Requires the DWF to provide names and locations of participating retail food establishments to DHH, office of public health upon request.

Effective August 1, 2014.

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