

SENATE BILL NO. 744

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 56:302.9(H) and to enact R.S. 56:302.9(I), relative to charter boat fishing guide licensees; to require licensees to provide landing reports and information to the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries; to provide terms and conditions; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 56:302.9(H) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 56:302.9(I) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§302.9. Charter boat fishing guide license; nonresident fee

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H. Each charter boat fishing guide licensee may complete a landing report and return the report to the department at the time and manner designated by the commission. The commission shall establish the information to be provided in the landing report by the charter boat fishing guide licensee. The landing report may include information on the number of trips taken, number of anglers fishing on a trip, area fished, time fished, trip origin, any information determined by the commission to be necessary to properly manage the fishery resource of the state, and any information required by the commission to prepare stock assessments. However, the commission shall not request any financial information. The information provided by a licensee shall be maintained as confidential in accordance with R.S. 56:301.4. The commission shall adopt rules and regulations in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to implement the provisions of this Subsection.

1                    **I.** ~~A~~ **Except for Subsection H, a** violation of any provision of this Section  
2                    shall constitute a class four violation, R.S. 56:34.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_