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**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2024 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Natural Resources to Reengrossed House Bill No. 676 by Representative Kerner

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1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 3, after "heading)" delete the comma "," and insert "and"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 1, line 3, after "306.1(B)(8)," delete the remainder of the line, and at the beginning  
5 of line 4, delete "40:31.35(C),"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 3

7 On page 1, line 4, after "relative to" change "seafood importer" to "imported seafood"

8 AMENDMENT NO. 4

9 On page 1, line 5, after "who" delete the remainder of the line and insert "sell imported  
10 seafood to"

11 AMENDMENT NO. 5

12 On page 1, line 6, after "additional" change "seafood importer" to "imported seafood"

13 AMENDMENT NO. 6

14 On page 1, line 7, after "revenue;" delete the remainder of the line and at the beginning of  
15 line 8, delete "fee" and insert "to require annual reporting"

16 AMENDMENT NO. 7

17 On page 1, at the end of line 16, insert "40:31.35(C)<sub>2</sub>"

18 AMENDMENT NO. 8

19 On page 1, line 17, after "56:306(B)(8)" insert a comma","

20 AMENDMENT NO. 9

21 On page 2, line 8, delete "and" and delete lines 9 and 10 and insert "or an imported seafood  
22 license issued pursuant to R.S. 56:306 or 306.1."

23 AMENDMENT NO. 10

24 On page 2, line 23, change "seafood importer" to "imported seafood"

25 AMENDMENT NO. 11

26 On page 2, line 29, after "who" delete the remainder of the line and insert "sells seafood  
27 sourced"

28 AMENDMENT NO. 12

29 On page 3, line 2, after "purchase" change "a seafood importer" to "an imported seafood"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 13

2 On page 3, line 3, change "seafood importer" to "imported seafood"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 14

4 On page 3, delete lines 6 through 16 and insert:

5 "(b) Beginning in January 2026, dealers applying for an imported seafood  
6 license shall submit to the department as part of the license application a detailed  
7 accounting of all imported seafood bought, acquired, or handled by the dealer for  
8 sale or resale within the state during the preceding calendar year. In order to collect  
9 the best and most informative data possible and in order to do so in an efficient,  
10 reliable, and effective manner, the department is authorized to do the following to  
11 implement this Subparagraph:

12 (i) Specify what information dealers are required to submit regarding the  
13 imported seafood, including but not limited to an accounting by volume of the  
14 species; type of product or form in which the seafood was received; relevant dates;  
15 purchase and sales prices; countries of origin; vendors, distributors, and processors  
16 in the supply chain and other tracking information; whether any of the licensee's  
17 imported seafood was sampled for testing and the results of any such testing; and any  
18 other data related to imported seafood offered for sale within the state.

19 (ii) Specify the manner or form by which the required information shall be  
20 submitted.

21 (iii) Audit a licensee's records for compliance with reporting requirements  
22 pursuant to this Subparagraph. Upon request by the department, a licensee shall  
23 make available for inspection any records, receipts, papers, books, accounts, files,  
24 or other form of documentation related to imported seafood bought, acquired, or  
25 handled for sale or resale within the state."

26 AMENDMENT NO. 15

27 On page 3, after "year." insert:

28 "The license fee shall be five hundred dollars for the 2025 calendar year, six hundred  
29 dollars for the 2026 calendar year, seven hundred dollars for the 2027 calendar year,  
30 eight hundred dollars for the 2028 calendar year, and nine hundred dollars for the  
31 2029 calendar year and each year thereafter."

32 AMENDMENT NO. 16

33 On page 3, line 21, after "issuance of" insert "imported"

34 AMENDMENT NO. 17

35 On page 3, delete line 22 and insert "licenses shall be deposited into the Conservation Fund  
36 as provided in"

37 AMENDMENT NO. 18

38 On page 3, line 26, change "seafood importer" to "imported seafood"

39 AMENDMENT NO. 19

40 On page 4, line 2, after "who" delete "imports shrimp, crawfish, or crab" and insert "sells  
41 seafood"

42 AMENDMENT NO. 20

43 On page 4, line 3, delete "a seafood" and on line 4, delete "importer" and insert "an imported  
44 seafood"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 21

2 On page 4, at the beginning of line 4, delete "importer" and after "The" change "seafood  
3 importer" to "imported seafood"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 22

5 On page 4, delete lines 7 through 17 and insert:

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34 AMENDMENT NO. 24

35 On page 4, line 22, delete "seafood" and on line 23, delete "importer" and insert "imported  
36 seafood"

37 AMENDMENT NO. 25

38 On page 4, delete line 26