

CHAPTER 621

H.B. No. 1746

AN ACT

relating to certain licenses and license fees required by the Parks and Wildlife Department.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Section 47.005, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

*(c) The fee for a freshwater commercial fishing boat license for a boat that is not numbered under Chapter 31 of this code or does not have a certificate of documentation issued by the United States Coast Guard that lists a home port in this state is \$60 or an amount set by the commission, whichever amount is more.*

SECTION 2. Section 47.007, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

*(e) The fee for a saltwater commercial fishing boat license for a boat that is not numbered under Chapter 31 of this code or does not have a certificate of documentation issued by the United States Coast Guard that lists a home port in this state is \$60 or an amount set by the commission, whichever amount is more.*

SECTION 3. Section 47.018, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c) to read as follows:

*(c) Aquatic products lawfully taken from the waters of this state may not be unloaded from the harvesting vessel and transported out of this state unless the transporter first obtains a wholesale fish dealer's license.*

SECTION 4. Section 76.104, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by adding Subsections (c) and (d) to read as follows:

*(c) The fee for a nonresident commercial oyster dredge license is \$200 or an amount set by the commission, whichever amount is more.*

*(d) The fee for a nonresident sports oyster dredge license is \$40 or an amount set by the commission, whichever amount is more.*

SECTION 5. Subchapter C, Chapter 76, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by adding Section 76.1051 to read as follows:

*Sec. 76.1051. OTHER LICENSES REQUIRED. The captain and each paid member of the crew of a boat having a commercial oyster dredge license issued under this subchapter must have a general commercial fisherman's license issued under Section 47.002 of this code, but these licenses may be purchased in the name of the vessel. The license form provided by the department for a vessel may be a single license covering the number of persons licensed as captain and crew, and the fee for the total number of persons licensed is the amount provided in Section 47.002 of this code times the number of persons comprising the captain and crew.*

SECTION 6. Section 77.031, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

*(f) The fee for a commercial bay shrimp boat license for a boat that is not numbered under Chapter 31 of this code or does not have a certificate of documentation issued by the United States Coast Guard that lists a home port in this state is \$320 or an amount set by the commission, whichever amount is more.*

SECTION 7. Section 77.033, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

*(e) The fee for a commercial bait-shrimp boat license for a boat that is not numbered under Chapter 31 of this code or does not have a certificate of documentation issued by the United States Coast Guard that lists a home port in this state is \$320 or an amount set by the commission, whichever is more.*

SECTION 8. Section 77.035, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

*(e) The fee for a commercial gulf shrimp boat license for a boat that is not numbered under Chapter 31 of this code or does not have a certificate of documentation issued by the United States Coast Guard that lists a home port in this state is \$200 or an amount set by the commission, whichever amount is more.*

SECTION 9. Section 77.036, Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 77.036. OFFICIAL REGISTRATION. (a) An applicant for a commercial shrimp boat license issued under this subchapter must submit to the department the boat's United States *Coast Guard certificate of documentation* [~~Bureau of Customs official document~~] or the Texas certificate of number for a motorboat.

(b) The certificate of license issued by the department for a commercial shrimp boat must contain the name of the boat and the number appearing on the United States *Coast Guard certificate of documentation* [~~Bureau of Customs official document~~] or the Texas certificate of number.

SECTION 10. Section 76.102, Parks and Wildlife Code, is repealed.

SECTION 11. This Act takes effect September 1, 1987.

SECTION 12. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on May 6, 1987, by a non-record vote; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1746 on May 26, 1987, by a non-record vote. Passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 23, 1987, by the following vote: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved June 19, 1987.

Effective Sept. 1, 1987.