

SENATE BILL NO. 145

BY SENATORS THOMPSON, LONG, NEVERS, RISER, SMITH AND WALSWORTH
AND REPRESENTATIVES BOBBY BADON, CHANEY, GUINN,
LEBAS, LITTLE, RITCHIE AND ST. GERMAIN

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 3:4617(C), 4734(G)(2) and (3), and 4735(B), relative to the
3 definition of catfish; to provide that the definition of catfish includes certain families;
4 to provide for technical corrections; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 3:4617(C), 4734(G)(2) and (3), and 4735(B) are hereby amended and
7 reenacted to read as follows:

8 §4617. Fraud by vendors or by purchaser

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10 C. No one shall misrepresent the name, or type of any fruit, vegetable, grain,
11 meat, or fish, including catfish, sold, or offered or exposed for sale, to any actual or
12 prospective consumer. "Catfish" shall mean only those species within the family **of**
13 ~~Ictaluridae or the family Anarhichadidae and grown in the United States of America,~~
14 **Ariidae or Loricariidae.**

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16 §4734. Notice of country of origin

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20 (2) The term "catfish" shall not be used as a common name or used to
21 advertise, distribute, or label any other fish or fish product except for those species
22 defined as catfish in ~~R.S. 3:4713(1)~~ **R.S. 3:4733(1)** or catfish product in ~~R.S.~~
23 ~~3:4713(2)~~ **R.S. 3:4733(2)**.

24 (3) It is unlawful to use the term "catfish" in the advertising, distributing,
25 labeling, or selling of any of those species within the family of Siluridae, Clariidae,
26 and Pangasiidae or any other fish not defined as catfish in ~~R.S. 3:4713(1)~~ **R.S.**

