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SENATE BILL NO. 202

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FISH/FISHING. Provides relative to oyster harvesting in Calcasieu Lake. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 56:435.1.1(A), relative to oyster harvesting in Calcasieu Lake;  
3 to remove the time limitation on the issuance of special permits for oyster harvesting  
4 in Calcasieu Lake; to remove the limitations on the number of special permits issued;  
5 and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 56:435.1.1(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §435.1.1. Oyster harvest in Calcasieu Lake

9 A.(1) ~~Between July 1, 2011 and June 30, 2014,~~ oyster **Oyster** harvesting in  
10 Calcasieu Lake shall be prohibited except by special permit issued annually by the  
11 Department of Wildlife and Fisheries or as authorized by R.S. 56:435.1.1(D)(2).  
12 ~~There shall be no more than one hundred twenty-six such permits issued each year.~~  
13 ~~Sixty-three of the permits shall be issued only to a person who can prove through trip~~  
14 ~~ticket landings that he commercially harvested oysters from Calcasieu Lake any time~~  
15 ~~since January 1, 2001. The remaining sixty-three permits may be issued to any~~  
16 ~~person. The permits shall be issued on a first-come-first-served basis determined by~~  
17 ~~the date the application is received by the department. Once one hundred twenty-six~~

