

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to the Florida Statutes;  
3           repealing various statutory provisions that  
4           have become obsolete, have had their effect,  
5           have served their purpose, or have been  
6           impliedly repealed or superseded; repealing s.  
7           370.031, F.S., relating to a use study of  
8           Choctawhatchee Bay; repealing s. 370.033, F.S.,  
9           relating to intent with respect to obsolete  
10          regulation of dredge and fill activities;  
11          amending ss. 370.037 and 370.038, F.S.;  
12          conforming cross-references; repealing s.  
13          370.0805, F.S., relating to the net ban  
14          assistance program; amending s. 370.135, F.S.;  
15          deleting a provision relating to renewal of  
16          active blue crab endorsements in 1998;  
17          repealing s. 370.14(12), F.S., relating to the  
18          2-day crawfish sport season; repealing s.  
19          373.029, F.S., relating to the Southeast River  
20          Basins Resources Advisory Board; repealing s.  
21          373.191, F.S., relating to county water  
22          conservation projects; amending s. 373.033,  
23          F.S.; removing a cross-reference, to conform;  
24          repealing s. 373.2295(11), F.S., relating to  
25          applications for interdistrict transfer and use  
26          of groundwater which were pending on a  
27          specified date; repealing s. 373.415(3), F.S.,  
28          relating to development of a groundwater basin  
29          resource availability inventory for the Wekiva  
30          River Protection Area; providing an effective  
31          date.

1 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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3 Section 1. Section 370.031, Florida Statutes, is  
4 repealed.

5 Section 2. Section 370.033, Florida Statutes, is  
6 repealed.

7 Section 3. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section  
8 370.037, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

9 370.037 Denial, suspension, or revocation of  
10 certificate.--

11 (1) The department may refuse to issue or renew or may  
12 suspend or revoke any certificate on any of the following  
13 grounds:

14 (b) Willful disregard or violation of any of the  
15 provisions of ss. 370.034 and 370.036 ~~370.033-370.036~~ or of  
16 any rule or regulation promulgated thereunder.

17 Section 4. Section 370.038, Florida Statutes, is  
18 amended to read:

19 370.038 Rules and regulations.--The department is  
20 authorized to make and adopt reasonable rules, regulations,  
21 and orders necessary to carry out the provisions of ss.  
22 370.034-370.037 ~~370.033-370.037~~.

23 Section 5. Section 370.0805, Florida Statutes, is  
24 repealed.

25 Section 6. Subsection (2) of section 370.135, Florida  
26 Statutes, is amended to read:

27 370.135 Blue crab; regulation.--

28 (2) No person shall harvest blue crabs with more than  
29 five traps, harvest blue crabs in commercial quantities, or  
30 sell blue crabs unless such person holds a valid saltwater  
31 products license with a restricted species endorsement and a

1 blue crab endorsement (trap number) issued pursuant to this  
2 subsection.

3 (a) Effective June 1, 1998, and until July 1, 2002, no  
4 blue crab endorsement (trap number), except those endorsements  
5 that are active during the 1997-1998 fiscal year, shall be  
6 renewed or replaced.

7 ~~(b) In 1998, persons holding an endorsement that was~~  
8 ~~active in the 1997-1998 fiscal year, or an immediate family~~  
9 ~~member of that person, must request approval of the~~  
10 ~~endorsement prior to December 31, 1998.~~

11 (b)(c) Effective January 1, 1999, in subsequent years  
12 and until July 1, 2002, a trap number holder, or members of  
13 his or her immediate family, must request renewal of the  
14 endorsement prior to September 30 of each year.

15 (c)(d) If a person holding an active blue crab  
16 endorsement, or a member of that person's immediate family,  
17 does not request renewal of the endorsement before the  
18 applicable dates as specified in this subsection, the  
19 commission shall deactivate that endorsement.

20 (d)(e) In the event of the death or disability of a  
21 person holding an active blue crab endorsement, the  
22 endorsement may be transferred by the person to a member of  
23 his or her immediate family or may be renewed by any person so  
24 designated by the executor of the person's estate.

25 (e)(f) Persons who hold saltwater products licenses  
26 with blue crab endorsements issued to their boat registration  
27 numbers and who subsequently replace their existing vessels  
28 with new vessels shall be permitted to transfer the existing  
29 licenses to the new boat registration numbers.

30 Section 7. Subsection (12) of section 370.14, Florida  
31 Statutes, is repealed.

1           Section 8. Section 373.029, Florida Statutes, is  
2 repealed.

3           Section 9. Section 373.191, Florida Statutes, is  
4 repealed.

5           Section 10. Subsection (5) of section 373.033, Florida  
6 Statutes, is amended to read:

7           373.033 Saltwater barrier line.--

8           (5) ~~The provisions of s. 373.191 shall apply~~  
9 ~~specifically to the authority of~~ The board of county  
10 commissioners of a county, or ~~to~~ the governing board of a  
11 water management district, a municipality, or a water district  
12 having jurisdiction over an area in which a saltwater barrier  
13 line is established, may to expend funds from any available  
14 ~~whatever~~ source ~~may be available to them~~ for the purpose of  
15 constructing saltwater barrier dams, dikes, and spillways  
16 within existing canals and streams in conformity with the  
17 purpose and intent of the board in establishing the saltwater  
18 barrier line.

19           Section 11. Subsection (11) of section 373.2295,  
20 Florida Statutes, is repealed.

21           Section 12. Subsection (3) of section 373.415, Florida  
22 Statutes, is repealed.

23           Section 13. This act shall take effect upon becoming a  
24 law.

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