



1           **(b) "Education" means informing government officials**  
2 **and the general public about issues relating to the promotion**  
3 **and protection of markets for Florida wild-caught food shrimp.**

4           **(c) "Florida wild-caught food shrimp" means shrimp**  
5 **whose capture or distribution requires a saltwater products**  
6 **license under chapter 370, Florida Statutes.**

7           **(d) "Litigation" means the costs associated with a**  
8 **lawsuit that has successfully promoted and protected markets**  
9 **for Florida wild-caught food shrimp.**

10           **(e) "Marketing" means advertising, merchandising,**  
11 **publicity, or sales promotion.**

12           **(f) "Nonprofit entity" means a private business entity**  
13 **incorporated under s. 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code**  
14 **which, through an alliance of shrimp industry members in**  
15 **southern coastal states from North Carolina to Texas, supports**  
16 **the harvesting, processing, and distribution of wild-caught**  
17 **food shrimp from sustainable stocks in the waters of the Gulf**  
18 **of Mexico and South Atlantic, thereby helping to bring**  
19 **long-term stability to the state's wild-caught food shrimp**  
20 **industry.**

21           **(g) "Resident" has the same meaning as in s. 370.01,**  
22 **Florida Statutes.**

23           **(2)(a) In addition to the fee charged for the**  
24 **saltwater products license, beginning July 1, 2006:**

25           **1. Each individual engaged in the commercial taking of**  
26 **Florida wild-caught food shrimp who is a resident and obtains**  
27 **a saltwater products license under s. 370.06(2)(e)1. or s.**  
28 **370.06(2)(e)2., Florida Statutes, must pay an annual fee of**  
29 **\$250.**

30           **2. Each individual, firm, or corporation engaged in**  
31 **the commercial taking of Florida wild-caught food shrimp which**

1 is a resident and obtains a saltwater products license under  
2 s. 370.06(3)(e)3., Florida Statutes, must pay an annual fee of  
3 \$250 for a vessel having a registered length of less than 50  
4 feet or a fee of \$375 for a vessel having a registered length  
5 of 50 feet or more. As used in this subparagraph, the term  
6 "registered length" means the length of the vessel which is  
7 specified in the vessel documentation required by the United  
8 States Coast Guard and included in state registration records.  
9 For purposes of this subparagraph, a resident firm or  
10 corporation is a firm or corporation formed under the laws of  
11 this state.

12 (b) Beginning July 1, 2006, each individual, firm, or  
13 corporation that is a nonresident and engaged in the  
14 commercial taking of Florida wild-caught food shrimp must, in  
15 lieu of the fees otherwise imposed by s. 370.06(3)(e), Florida  
16 Statutes, pay an annual fee of \$800. However, if an  
17 individual, firm, or corporation that is a Florida resident is  
18 required to pay an amount in excess of \$800 a year for a  
19 similar license to engage in the commercial taking of  
20 wild-caught food shrimp under the laws of the home state of  
21 such nonresident, the annual fee shall be increased from \$800  
22 to that higher amount. For purposes of this paragraph, a  
23 Florida resident firm or corporation is a firm or corporation  
24 formed under the laws of this state and a nonresident firm or  
25 corporation is a firm or corporation formed under the laws of  
26 a state other than Florida.

27 (3) The proceeds from the fees required by subsection  
28 (2) must be deposited into the Florida Wild-Caught Food Shrimp  
29 Economic Development Trust Fund. The commission shall  
30 distribute these funds, less reasonable administrative costs,  
31 as follows:

