

**FOR CONSIDERATION By** the Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation

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1 A bill to be entitled  
2 An act relating to fish and wildlife conservation;  
3 repealing s. 379.2342(2), F.S., relating to the  
4 publication of the Florida Wildlife Magazine and the  
5 Florida Wildlife Magazine Advisory Council; amending  
6 s. 379.366, F.S.; reducing the fee for soft-shell blue  
7 crab endorsements; providing effective dates.  
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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:  
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11 Section 1. Subsection (2) of section 379.2342, Florida  
12 Statutes, is repealed.

13 Section 2. Effective upon the commencement of the 2012-2013  
14 blue crab license year, paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of  
15 section 379.366, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

16 379.366 Blue crab; regulation.—

17 (3) (a) *Endorsement fees.*—

18 1. The fee for a hard-shell blue crab endorsement for the  
19 taking of hard-shell blue crabs, as authorized by rule of the  
20 commission, is \$125, \$25 of which must be used solely for the  
21 trap retrieval program authorized under s. 379.2424 and in  
22 commission rules.

23 2. The fee for a soft-shell blue crab endorsement for the  
24 taking of soft-shell blue crabs, as authorized by rule of the  
25 commission, is \$125 ~~\$250~~, \$25 of which must be used solely for  
26 the trap retrieval program authorized under s. 379.2424 and in  
27 commission rules.

28 3. The fee for a nontransferable hard-shell blue crab  
29 endorsement for the taking of hard-shell blue crabs, as

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30 authorized by rule of the commission, is \$125, \$25 of which must  
31 be used solely for the trap retrieval program authorized under  
32 s. 379.2424 and in commission rules.

33 4. The fee for an incidental take blue crab endorsement for  
34 the taking of blue crabs as bycatch in shrimp trawls and stone  
35 crab traps is \$25, as authorized in commission rules.

36 Section 3. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this  
37 act, this act shall take effect July 1, 2012.