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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Budget Subcommittee on General Government Appropriations (Latvala) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 56 and 57
insert:

Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (7) of section 379.354, Florida Statutes, is amended, and paragraph (f) is added to that subsection, to read:

379.354 Recreational licenses, permits, and authorization numbers; fees established.—

(7) VESSEL LICENSES.—

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (f), a ~~Ne~~ person may not operate any vessel wherein a fee is paid, either directly or



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13 indirectly, for the purpose of taking, attempting to take, or
14 possessing any saltwater fish for noncommercial purposes unless
15 she or he has obtained a license for each vessel for that
16 purpose, and has paid the license fee pursuant to paragraphs (b)
17 and (c) for such vessel.

18 (f) If the operator of a vessel that carries scuba divers
19 for a fee, either directly or indirectly, maintains the
20 appropriate vessel license under this subsection based upon the
21 number of persons the vessel is licensed to carry and any
22 applicable permits, the individual scuba divers engaged in
23 taking or attempting to take saltwater products are not required
24 to obtain individual fishing licenses and permits. However, if
25 such vessel operator does not have the appropriate license, a
26 scuba diver engaged in taking or attempting to take saltwater
27 products must have individual fishing licenses and any
28 applicable permits.

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31 And the title is amended as follows:

32 Delete line 10

33 and insert:

34 Magazine Advisory Council; amending s. 379.354, F.S.;

35 exempting a scuba diver who is engaged in taking or

36 attempting to take saltwater products from having an

37 individual fishing license if the operator of a vessel

38 carrying the scuba diver meets certain conditions;

39 amending s. 379.3581, F.S.;