

Amendment to HB 1833-FN

1 Amend RSA 211:49-f, I and II as inserted by section 1 of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 I. Any person who does not qualify as a resident under RSA 207:1, who takes, possesses,  
4 lands, or transports, as part of a tuna tournament, from or on the waters of this state, regardless of  
5 where the catch was taken, any tuna species by any method for the purpose of selling the same, shall  
6 first procure a valid license from the executive director to do so. A special tuna license shall be  
7 issued to a nonresident operator of the vessel who is a registered participant in a tuna tournament  
8 that is sponsored and operated by a nonprofit association that has existed for at least one year prior  
9 to the tournament. An individual shall not be issued more than one license per one eligible tuna  
10 tournament in any one calendar year. This license shall only be valid for the dates of the eligible  
11 tuna tournament, not to exceed 10 days. No other marine species may be taken, possessed, landed,  
12 or transported for the purpose of sale under this license.

13 II. The fee for an annual license shall be set by the executive director pursuant to RSA  
14 206:10, I. The executive director shall establish a surcharge on each license issued under this  
15 section of not more than \$25, nor less than \$10, to be deposited in the derelict fishing gear and  
16 coastal cleanup fund established in RSA 211:77 and shall adopt rules under RSA 541-A for  
17 implementing and collecting the surcharge. Any person who satisfactorily demonstrates to the  
18 executive director that he or she is participating in a coastal cleanup program shall not be required  
19 to pay the surcharge. The executive director shall adopt rules pursuant to RSA 541-A to determine  
20 what constitutes satisfactory participation in a coastal cleanup program and to account for licensees  
21 who are exempt from the surcharge each year.