

BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 3266
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Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

During the 78th Legislature, Regular Session, 2003, H.B. 1858 amended Chapter 47, Agriculture Code, to create the Shrimp Marketing Program. The program was to be funded at a minimum level of \$250,000 per year through transfers made by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD). It provided revenue sources to fund the program, including a surcharge on certain shrimp related licenses issued by TPWD. The surcharge was limited to an increase of up to 10 percent of the license fees established by TPWD effective September 1, 2002.

During the 79th Legislature, Regular Session, 2005, S.B. 1271 extended the duration of the 10 percent increase in fees for certain shrimp licenses established by H.B. 1858 for two years to September 1, 2007. C.S.H.B.3266 extends the duration of the 10 percent increase in fees for certain shrimp licenses for an additional two years.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 47.021(b), Texas Parks and Wildlife Code, to provide that the section expires September 1, 2009, rather than 2007.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 77.049(b), Texas Parks and Wildlife Code, to provide that this section expires September 1, 2009, rather than 2007.

SECTION 3. Effective date: August 29, 2007.

EFFECTIVE DATE

August 29, 2007

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL TO SUBSTITUTE

The committee substitute is a Legislative Council Draft where as the original bill is not.

The Committee Substitute makes technical corrections for typing errors, and does not include the subsection of the code prior to the cited subsection (b).