

By: Representatives Eure, Bennett

To: Marine Resources

HOUSE BILL NO. 815

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 49-15-41, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,  
2 TO REVISE THE PROHIBITION ON HARVESTING OYSTERS AT NIGHT TO  
3 INCLUDE OFF-BOTTOM AQUACULTURE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 49-15-41, Mississippi Code of 1972, is  
6 amended as follows:

7 49-15-41. It shall be unlawful for any person to fish, catch  
8 or take oysters from \* \* \* the waters of Mississippi \* \* \* during  
9 the hours between sunset and sunrise of each day.

10 Violation of this section shall be punishable by a fine \* \* \*  
11 not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) \* \* \* or \* \* \*  
12 imprisonment not to exceed one (1) year in the county jail, or  
13 both.

14 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
15 and after July 1, 2016.

