MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

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By: Senator(s) Gollott, Carter

To: Ports and Marine Resources; Judiciary, Division A

SENATE BILL NO. 2935

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 49-15-325, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSION ON MARINE RESOURCES TO REVOKE A LICENSE WHEN A PERSON DOES NOT COMPLY WITH A SUMMONS OR A CITATION OR DOES NOT PAY A FINE, FEE OR ASSESSMENT FOR VIOLATING A SEAFOOD LAW OR REGULATION; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 SECTION 1. Section 49-15-325, Mississippi Code of 1972, is

8 amended as follows:

9 49-15-325. (1) The commission is authorized to suspend any 10 license issued to any person under this chapter for being out of compliance with an order for support, as defined in Section 11 12 93-11-153. The procedure for suspension of a license for being out of compliance with an order for support, and the procedure for 13 14 the reissuance or reinstatement of a license suspended for that 15 purpose, and the payment of any fees for the reissuance or 16 reinstatement of a license suspended for that purpose, shall be governed by Section 93-11-157 or 93-11-163, as the case may be. 17 If there is any conflict between any provision of Section 18 93-11-157 or 93-11-163 and any provision of this chapter, the 19

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20 provisions of Section 93-11-157 or 93-11-163, as the case may be, 21 shall control.

22 If a person does not comply with a summons or a citation (2) or does not pay a fine, fee or assessment for violating a seafood 23 24 law or regulation, the commission may revoke the applicable 25 license of that person. When a person does not comply or fails to pay, the clerk of the court or the commission secretary shall 26 27 notify the person in writing by first-class mail that if the 28 person does not comply or pay within ten (10) days from the date 29 of mailing, the court or commission secretary will notify the commission and the commission will revoke the license of that 30 The cost of notice may be added to other court costs. If 31 person. 32 the person does not comply or pay as required, the court clerk or commission secretary shall immediately mail a copy of the court or 33 34 administrative record and a copy of the notice to the commission. 35 After receiving notice from the court or commission secretary, the 36 commission shall revoke the applicable license of that person.

37 (3) A person whose license has been revoked under subsection
38 (2) of this section shall remain revoked until the person can show
39 proof that all obligations of the court have been met.

40 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from 41 and after July 1, 2019.

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