THE FLORIDA SENATE 2018 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED

Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation

CS/SB 1132 — Vessel Safety Inspection Decal

by Appropriations Committee and Senator Hutson

The bill (Chapter 2018-27) authorizes the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) to designate by rule the timeframe for the expiration of, and the specific design for, the vessel safety inspection decal. The bill specifies that a decal may not be valid for less than 1 calendar year or more than 5 years, and, at a minimum, must meet the display standards specified in s. 327.70(2)(a), F.S.

The bill provides that all decals issued by the FWC on or before December 31, 2018, are no longer valid after that date.

These provisions were approved by the Governor and take effect January 1, 2019. *Vote: Senate 38-0; House 115-2*

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