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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate Comm: WD 01/31/2020 House

The Committee on Environment and Natural Resources (Hutson) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 10 - 33

and insert:

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379.2426 <u>Regulation</u>Possession of separated shark fins on the water prohibited; penalties.-

(1) As used in this section, the term:

(a) "Land" means the physical act of bringing a harvested organism, or any part thereof, ashore.

(b) "Shark" means any species of the orders

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11	Carcharhiniformes, Lamniformes, Hexanchiformes,
12	Orectolobiformes, Pristiophoriformes, Squaliformes,
13	Squatiniformes, or any part thereof.
14	(c) "Shark fin" means the detached fin of a shark,
15	including the caudal or tail fin, or any portion thereof.
16	(d) "Separated," with respect to a shark fin, means not
17	naturally attached to the corresponding shark body through some
18	portion of uncut skin.
19	(2) A person may not possess in or on the waters of this
20	state a shark fin that has been separated from a shark or land a
21	separated shark fin in this state, unless:
22	(a) Such possession is authorized by commission rule; or
23	(b) Such fin has been lawfully obtained on land, prepared
24	by taxidermy, and is possessed for the purposes of display.
25	(3) The import to and export from this state of shark fins
26	is prohibited unless the shark was taken lawfully under an
27	applicable federal permit tag and the fin was separated from the
28	shark in a manner consistent with the permit.
29	(4) (3) A person who violates this section is subject to the
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31	=========== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ===============
32	And the title is amended as follows:
33	Delete lines 3 - 4
34	and insert:
35	F.S.; prohibiting the import and export of shark fins;
36	providing an exception; providing an effective date.