



General Assembly

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To: House Bill No. 5198

File No. 290

Cal. No. 220

"AN ACT REQUIRING THE STUDY OF THE USE OF TECHNOLOGY IN THE STATE."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2022*) (a) Notwithstanding the
4 provisions of title 26 of the general statutes, no person shall engage in
5 the hand-harvesting of horseshoe crabs or the eggs of horseshoe crabs
6 from the waters of this state.

7 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,
8 the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection may
9 authorize the hand-harvesting of horseshoe crabs by permit for: (1)
10 Educational or scientific purposes, provided the commissioner
11 determines that such harvesting will not cause harm to the horseshoe
12 crab population in this state, or (2) the collection of blood from

13 horseshoe crabs for biomedical purposes, provided any such horseshoe
14 crab is returned, unharmed, to the waters from which it was collected.

15 (c) Any person who violates the provisions of this section shall be
16 fined twenty-five dollars for each specimen taken in violation of this
17 section.

18 (d) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall
19 enforce the provisions of this section."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	October 1, 2022	New section