

**SB90 ENROLLED**



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2 I3YBVZ6-2  
3 By Senator Sessions  
4 RFD: Healthcare  
5 First Read: 13-Jan-26



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1 Enrolled, An Act,

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4 Relating to seafood dealer licenses; to amend Section  
5 9-12-125, as last amended by Act 2025-445, 2025 Regular  
6 Session, Code of Alabama 1975, to further provide for the  
7 license fee paid by certain applicants; and to provide that  
8 this act is retroactive and curative.

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

10 Section 1. Section 9-12-125, as last amended by Act  
11 2025-445, 2025 Regular Session, Code of Alabama 1975, is  
12 amended to read as follows:

13 "§9-12-125

14 (a) (1) a. Any person who engages in the selling,  
15 brokering, trading, bartering, or processing of any fresh or  
16 frozen seafood, whether on a consignment basis or otherwise,  
17 is a seafood dealer and shall purchase a seafood dealer  
18 license for a fee of four hundred sixty-five dollars (\$465)  
19 for Alabama residents domiciled for a period of more than one  
20 continuous year immediately preceding the date of issuance and  
21 seven hundred thirty dollars (\$730) for nonresidents, except  
22 for residents of states which charge Alabama residents in  
23 excess of seven hundred thirty dollars (\$730) for the  
24 activity, in which case the fee shall be the amount the other  
25 state charges.

26 b. Notwithstanding paragraph a., a state resident who  
27 possesses a valid license or permit issued pursuant to Section  
28 9-12-82, 9-12-87, 9-12-93, 9-12-113, or 9-12-124 shall



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29 purchase a seafood dealer license for a fee of two hundred  
30 sixty-five dollars (\$265).

31 (2) To obtain a license, all entities other than  
32 brokers shall have and present proof of a business license  
33 from the location of the business, a tax identification  
34 number, and the appropriate seafood processing health permit.

35 (3) A license is not required by nonresident seafood  
36 dealers buying from or selling to a licensed Alabama seafood  
37 dealer or a licensed commercial fisherman ~~fishermen~~ fisherman when  
38 selling their catch to a licensed Alabama seafood dealer nor  
39 is a license required by restaurants where the seafood is  
40 cooked and sold for consumption on or off the restaurant's  
41 premises. Restaurants shall not purchase seafood from any  
42 person that is not licensed to sell seafood in this state.

43 (4) If a licensee owns or operates more than one place  
44 of business, an additional license shall be purchased for each  
45 separate place of business, providing the location of each. A  
46 vehicle used solely for transporting seafood to or from an  
47 Alabama seafood dealer is not considered a place of business.  
48 Each vehicle from which seafood is sold to or purchased from  
49 any person, other than an Alabama seafood dealer, is a place  
50 of business and shall be licensed under this section. A  
51 seafood dealer shall purchase a license for each such vehicle  
52 for a fee of three hundred thirty-three dollars (\$333) per  
53 license and the operator of the vehicle shall have the  
54 original license in his or her possession when selling or  
55 buying seafood from that vehicle. Seafood dealers may purchase  
56 seafood only from commercial fishermen validly licensed in



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57 Alabama, Alabama seafood dealers, and any nonresident seller  
58 who is validly licensed to sell seafood under the laws of that  
59 state.

60 (5) It shall be unlawful for any person to sell,  
61 broker, trade, barter, or process seafood as provided for in  
62 this section without first purchasing a seafood dealer  
63 license. Any person violating this section, upon conviction,  
64 shall be guilty of a Class A misdemeanor, with a minimum  
65 mandatory fine of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for a first  
66 offense, two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) for a  
67 second offense within three years of the date of the first  
68 conviction, and five thousand dollars (\$5,000) and a mandatory  
69 jail sentence of 10 to 30 days for a third and any subsequent  
70 offense within three years of the date of the first  
71 conviction.

72 (b) The Department of Conservation and Natural  
73 Resources shall annually remit two hundred dollars (\$200) of  
74 each seafood dealer license fee collected to the nonprofit  
75 corporation Sweet Grown Alabama for the promotion of this  
76 state's seafood products."

77 Section 2. This act is retroactive and curative and  
78 shall apply to any license issued pursuant to Section  
79 9-12-125, Code of Alabama 1975, on or after October 1, 2025.

80 Section 3. This act shall become effective immediately.



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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Senate 22-Jan-26

I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and passed  
the Senate.

Patrick Harris,  
Secretary.

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House of Representatives

Passed: 26-Feb-26

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By: Senator Sessions