

Legislation Comparison Chart

Growing Georgia's Oyster Mariculture Industry

COMPARING HB501/SB182 (DNR-CRD) to HB565 (Industry Supported)

Legislation Needed To Grow Georgia's Oyster Mariculture Industry as Identified by Industry Experts	HB501/SB182 DNR-Coastal Resources Legislation	HB565 (LC45 0293ERS) Industry Supported Legislation
12-Month Harvest Season	<i>Not Specific; indeterminate</i>	<i>Specifically Permitted and Controlled</i>
	Lines 179-188; Lines 235-236	Lines 282-291
Mariculture Lease Area Awards Must Be Fair & Open	<i>Lottery (by chance); not fair or equitable</i>	<i>Public Open Bid Process; Fair and Equitable</i>
	Lines 352-354	Lines 201-256
Oyster Seed Importation From Out of State	<i>Not Specifically Allowed</i>	<i>Specifically Permitted and Controlled</i>
	Lines 477-489	Lines 180-194
Floating Cages and Mechanical Harvest Methods	<i>Not Specifically Allowed</i>	<i>Specifically Permitted and Controlled</i>
	Lines 161-174	Lines 324-333
Oyster Mariculture Advisory Panel	<i>Not Mentioned; all authority rests with DNR Board</i>	<i>Legislatively Created with Legislated Authority</i>
	Lines 73-86	Lines 76-83
Closing the Oyster Mariculture Season	<i>Total Control by DNR; Creates Uncertainty</i>	<i>Defined Circumstances; Creates Certainty; Food Safety Priority</i>
	Lines 179-182	Lines 292-319