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SYNOPSIS:
This bill would authorize the holder of a net and seine permit from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to designate one person who would be eligible to purchase a captain's license which would authorize the licensee to operate the vessel without the permittee being present on the vessel.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To add Section 9-12-113.2 to the Code of Alabama 1975, relating to certain commercial fishing permits issued by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources; to authorize the holder of a permit to designate one person who could be issued a captain's license to operate the vessel when the holder of the permit is not present on the vessel. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 9-12-113.2 is added to the Code of Alabama 1975, to read as follows:
§9-12-113.2.
Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (d) of Section 9-12-113, any person issued a net or seine permit pursuant to subsections (b) to (j) of Section 9-12-113 may designate one person to be issued a captain's license by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources which shall authorize the licensee to operate the designated vessel of the permittee when the permittee is not present on the vessel. The licensee shall be subject to all laws and rules in the same manner as if the permittee was present on the vessel and any penalties shall be assessed against the permittee. The cost of each captain's license shall be one hundred dollars (\$100) each license year.

Section 2. This act shall become effective immediately following its passage and approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

