Proposal Subject: Annual Assessment of Shellfish Production and Utilization

Specific NSSPNSSP Section II Model Ordinance Chapter II Risk Assessment and RiskGuide Reference:Management

Text of Proposal/
Requested Action@ .02 Annual Assessment of Vibrio vulnificus and Vibrio parahaemolyticus
Illnesses and Shellfish Production

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- B. The Authority shall determine annually, and report to the ISSC, the volume of shellfish harvested in the State. The report shall include the volume of shellfish harvested for each species associated with Vibrio illnesses, including a volume breakdown by utilization type (raw, shucked, PHP, etc.).
- Public Health
Significance:Vibrio parahaemolyticus and V. vulnificus control plans are based on risk per serving
as determined by risk calculators developed by FDA. The predicted risk is
applicable to consumption of raw oysters as this product use is assumed to present
the greatest risk and is associated with the majority of seafood related illnesses.
However predicted risk per serving levels in raw or half-shell oysters cannot
currently be validated using observed data because only total landings are reported.
The risk assessments assume that 50% of oysters are consumed raw but this can vary
greatly from state to state and seasonally. A breakdown of total landings by product
utilization would allow more accurate assessment of the associated risk of the
various product categories.

Cost Information (if available):

Action by 2013 Recommended adoption of Proposal 13-203 as amended. Task Force II

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