

**ACT No. 85**

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 249

BY REPRESENTATIVE CARMODY

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1749.18(B)(introductory paragraph) and (4) and to enact R.S. 40:1749.18(B)(5), relative to underground utilities and facilities damage prevention; to amend the requirements for certification as a regional notification center; to provide for exceptions; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 40:1749.18(B)(introductory paragraph) and (4) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 40:1749.18(B)(5) is enacted to read as follows:

§1749.18. Certification of a regional notification center by Department of Public Safety and Corrections

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B. For the purposes of promoting cost effectiveness, ease of use, safety, and the protection of property, workmen, and citizens from damage, injury, and death, Such the rules and regulations shall include but not be limited to requirements that the any regional notification center, that is either certified or that applies for certification pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter, must shall have and maintain the following:

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(4)(a) Specifically defined geopolitical services areas that are coterminous with parish boundaries and do not overlap any other defined service area.

(b) The provisions of this Paragraph shall apply only to those regional notification centers described in R.S. 40:1749.12(13)(a).

1                   (5) Any other requirements that may be necessary for a regional notification  
2                   center to properly perform the duties and functions required under this Part.

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4                   Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
5                   signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
6                   by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
7                   vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
8                   effective on the day following such approval.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_