AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 34:851.25(A) and to enact R.S. 38:2558(11)(f), relative to the powers of the Bayou D'Arbonne Lake Watershed District; to prohibit the operation of certain motor vessels when Lake D'Arbonne is above flood stage; to prohibit the operation of certain motor vessels when the operation may cause flooding to certain structures; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of Louisiana.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 34:851.25(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
§851.25. Prohibited operation

A.(1) Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, the governing authority of any parish or municipality may prohibit the operation of any motor vessel in an area that is inundated from a body of water that is above flood stage when the operation of such motor vessel causes or may cause inundations of dwellings, camps, business establishments or similar structures.

(2) Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, the governing authority of the Bayou D'Arbonne Lake Watershed District may prohibit the operation of any motor vessel in an area that is inundated from Lake D'Arbonne when it is above flood stage and when the operation of such motor vessel causes or may cause inundations of dwellings, camps, business establishments, or similar structures.
Section 2. R.S. 38:2558(11)(f) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§2558.  Powers of board

In order to accomplish the purposes for which the district is created, the board of commissioners may:

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(11) The board of commissioners of the Bayou D'Arbonne Lake Watershed District shall have the care, management and control of the said lake or reservoir formed by the damming of Bayou D'Arbonne and its property and finances. They shall have power:

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(f) To prohibit the operation of any motor vessel in an area that is inundated from Lake D'Arbonne when it is above flood stage and when the operation of such motor vessel causes or may cause inundations of dwellings, camps, business establishments, or similar structures.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: ________________

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