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**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2025 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Natural Resources to the Substitute Bill of Original Senate Bill No. 193 by Senator Hensgens adopted by the committee on April 30, 2025

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1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 2, line 9, after "82(1)" and before "(7)" insert "(6),"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 2, line 10, after "(10)," and before "and (7)" delete "(E)(6)" and insert:

5 "(E)(2) as enacted by Section 1 of Act 16 of the 2024 Third Extraordinary Session  
6 of the Legislature of Louisiana, (6),"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page 2, at the end of line 20, insert "121(A), (C), and (D),"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 4

10 On page 3, line 17, after "(B)(1)" delete the comma "," and insert "and (2),"

11 AMENDMENT NO. 5

12 On page 4, line 2, after "220, R.S." and before "2458" delete "30:85(D)(11)" and insert  
13 "30:4(N), 85(D)(11), 86(F)"

14 AMENDMENT NO. 6

15 On page 4, at the end of line 2, insert ", 3097.7,"

16 AMENDMENT NO. 7

17 On page 4, line 28, after "82(1)" and before "(7)" insert "(6),"

18 AMENDMENT NO. 8

19 On page 4, line 29, after "(10)," and before "and (7)" delete "(E)(6)" and insert:

20 "(E)(2) as enacted by Section 1 of Act 16 of the 2024 Third Extraordinary Session  
21 of the Legislature of Louisiana, (6),"

22 AMENDMENT NO. 9

23 On page 5, line 10, after "30:103.1(A)," and before "125" insert "121(A), (C), and (D),"

24 AMENDMENT NO. 10

25 On page 8, delete lines 6 through 13 and insert:

26 **"(21) "Expedited processing" shall mean the processing or review of permits,**  
27 **permit modifications, licenses, registrations, plans, proposals, exceptions, or variances**  
28 **whereby the Department of Conservation and Energy completes its administrative and**  
29 **technical review within a timeline agreed to in writing.**

30 **(22) "Employee" includes any personnel, classified and unclassified, retained**  
31 **by the department to assist in the performance of duties related to expedited**  
32 **processing."**

1 AMENDMENT NO. 11

2 On page 19, delete lines 21 through 29, and on page 20, delete lines 1 through 7

3 AMENDMENT NO. 12

4 On page 21, line 7, after "program" and before "processing" insert "~~to expedite the~~ of  
5 expedited"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 13

7 On page 58, delete lines 23 and 24 and insert:

8 **"and its increments shall remain intact and inviolate. Monies in the fund shall**  
9 **be invested by the state treasurer in the same manner as monies in the state general**  
10 **fund. At the request of the Natural Resources Trust Authority, the state treasurer may**  
11 **invest monies in the fund, or any portion thereof, in accordance with the provisions of**  
12 **R.S. 33:2955, and any interest earned on such investments shall be credited to the**  
13 **fund.**"

14 AMENDMENT NO. 14

15 On page 59, between lines 23 and 24, insert:

16 **"(6) Upon request by the Natural Resources Trust Authority and with the**  
17 **approval of the Mineral and Energy Board, the state treasurer is hereby authorized**  
18 **and directed to transfer from the Natural Resources Financial Security Fund to the**  
19 **Mineral and Energy Operations Fund such amounts as are approved by the Board and**  
20 **deemed necessary to implement the purposes of this Chapter, subject to the availability**  
21 **of funds and in accordance with applicable law.**"

22 AMENDMENT NO. 15

23 On page 77, between lines 23 and 24, insert:

24 **"(6) "Issuer" means a public trust and public corporation organized and existing by,**  
25 **under, and pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 9:2341 through 2347, whose beneficiary is the**  
26 **state of Louisiana, and who is authorized to issue revenue bonds on behalf of the state of**  
27 **Louisiana or the Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and**  
28 **Community Development Authority, pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 33:4548.1, et**  
29 **seq.**"

30 AMENDMENT NO. 16

31 On page 81, between lines 13 and 14, insert:

32 **"(2) Upon approval of the trust authority, the administration of this Part by the**  
33 **department in an amount not to exceed ~~nine hundred fifty thousand dollars~~ the**  
34 **department's federal approved indirect cost rate or, if no such rate exists, the de**  
35 **minimis rate of fifteen percent of all direct costs,** each fiscal year. Amounts expended  
36 pursuant to Paragraph (4) of this Subsection shall not count towards the administrative  
37 expenditure limitation.

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39 AMENDMENT NO. 17

40 On page 82, delete lines 8 through 16.

41 AMENDMENT NO. 18

42 On page 105, between lines 28 and 29, insert:



1 AMENDMENT NO. 24

2 On page 191, line 3, after "law." insert:

3 **". The secretary and the commissioner of administration shall enter into and**  
4 **maintain a memorandum of understanding regarding receipt, administration and**  
5 **control of said payments to memorialize necessary arrangements associated with**  
6 **funding their respective departments"**

7 AMENDMENT NO. 25

8 On page 191, line 20, after "**Authority**" and before the period "." insert "**, subject to R.S.**  
9 **39:1, et seq**"

10 AMENDMENT NO. 26

11 On page 191, line 25, after "office of" and before "resources" insert "**mineral state**"

12 AMENDMENT NO. 27

13 On page 194, delete lines 3 and 4 and insert:

14 "policies and rules, subject to budgetary control of the Department of **Conservation**  
15 **and Energy and Natural Resources** and applicable laws.

16 (2) State Mineral and Energy Board (R.S. 30:121 et seq.), except the ~~secretary~~  
17 **undersecretary** of the Department of **Conservation and Energy and Natural Resources** or  
18 his designee shall be an ex officio member of the State Mineral and Energy Board. The State  
19 Mineral and Energy Board shall retain the authority to lease for development and production  
20 of minerals, oil, and gas any lands belonging to the state, or the title to which is in the public,  
21 including road beds, water bottoms, and land adjudicated to the state at tax sale. The State  
22 Mineral and Energy Board shall retain supervision of all mineral leases granted by the state,  
23 and it shall retain general authority to take action for and on behalf of and to protect the  
24 interests of the state in accordance with the provisions of Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised  
25 Statutes of 1950, as amended, and applicable laws."

26 AMENDMENT NO. 28

27 On page 205, delete lines 8 through 26.

28 AMENDMENT NO. 29

29 On page 212, delete lines 5 and 6 and insert:

30 "Section 10. R.S. 17:200 through 220, R.S. 30:4(N), 85(D)(11), 86(F), 2458, and  
31 2470 through 2474, and R.S. 38:3097.4, 3097.7, and 3098.6(A)(1) are hereby repealed."