

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 797

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COASTAL RES/COASTAL ZONE: Relative to compensatory mitigation requirements

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 49:214.41(B), relative to mitigation of coastal wetlands; to
3 require consultation with the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority in
4 determination of mitigation that is required for projects contained in the coastal
5 master plan; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 49:214.41(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §214.41. Mitigation of coastal wetlands losses

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10 B. The secretary shall adopt regulations to require mitigation. The
11 regulations adopted pursuant to the authority of this Section shall require
12 consideration of all relevant factors in determining the extent of mitigation, including
13 societal and economic value of the proposed activity, ecological values impacted by
14 the proposed activity, and availability of methods for avoiding or minimizing the
15 impacts associated with the proposed activity and for restoring the site impacted by
16 the proposed activity. The regulations adopted pursuant to this Subsection shall
17 require that the secretary consult with the Coastal Protection and Restoration
18 Authority in the determination of the ecological values impacted by an activity
19 proposed in the coastal area that is contained in the state's master plan for integrated

