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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

2018 Second Extraordinary Session

SB 2

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Keyword and summary of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

FUNDS/FUNDING. Provides relative to the transfer, dedication, distribution, and use of certain funds in the state treasury.

Report rejects House amendments which would have:

1. Changed the effective date from July 1, 2018 to August 1, 2018.

Report amends the bill to:

- 1. Revise the distribution of economic damage proceeds from the Deepwater Horizon litigation in excess of the first \$200 million deposited into the FY 15-16 Deficit Elimination Fund in FY 18-19.
- 2. Provides for a transfer of \$3,221,928 from the Department of Revenue Escrow Account to the Overcollections Fund.

Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

<u>Present law</u>, relative to avails of the automobile rental tax collected in East Baton Rouge Parish, dedicates 40% to the East Baton Rouge Council on Aging; 40% to Capital Area Human Services, and 20% to the Arts Council of Greater Baton Rouge for its operations and programs.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for dedication of 40% of the avails to the East Baton Rouge Office of the Public Defender rather than the East Baton Rouge Council on Aging; otherwise retains present law.

<u>Present law provides</u> for the creation of the Deepwater Horizon Economic Damages Collection Fund, and provides that all economic damage proceeds from the Deepwater Horizon litigation in excess of the first \$200 million deposited into the FY 15-16 Deficit Elimination Fund, shall be deposited into the Economic Damages Collection Fund and then deposited (1) 45% to the Budget Stabilization Fund; (2) 45% to the Trust Fund for the Elderly; and (3) 10% to the Health Trust Fund.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> except that <u>proposed law</u> provides notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in FY 2018-2019, the treasurer shall deposit the annual payment of \$53,333,333 of economic damage proceeds received by the state in the state general fund.

<u>Proposed law</u> further authorizes and directs the state treasurer to transfer an amount of \$3,221,928 from the medical device settlement from the Department of Revenue Escrow Account to the Overcollections Fund.

Effective July 1, 2018.

(Amends R.S. 39:91(B) and R.S. 47:551(D)(8)(a))