

2020 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 748

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAGLEY

AIRCRAFT/AIRPORTS: Provides relative to airport facilities

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 2:135.1(B)(2), relative to certain airport leases; to decrease the  
3 monetary threshold of additions and permanent improvements necessary to extend  
4 lease terms for air carrier and non-air carrier airports; and to provide for related  
5 matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 2:135.1(B)(2) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §135.1. Authority to equip, improve, establish fees and charges, and lease airport  
9 facilities

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11 B.

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13 (2) All leases executed under the provisions of this Section shall provide for  
14 consideration to be paid annually or monthly as provided for in the lease. All such  
15 leases shall be for a period not exceeding ten years, except as follows:

16 (a) A lessor may grant an option to extend the primary lease for an additional  
17 period of not more than ten years to any lessee who leases such land or holds a ten-  
18 year lease in full force on or after August 15, 1999, when such lessee has, within the  
19 ten-year term of the lease, added or contracted for permanent improvements to be  
20 constructed or placed on or made to the land in the amount of not less than ~~twenty~~



airports or \$100,000 for air carrier airports and such improvements become the property of the lessor without any cost to the lessor. Present law further authorizes the lessor to grant an option to extend the primary term of the lease for an additional 10-year period, for each \$60,000 of improvements or additions for non-air carrier airports or \$100,000 worth of improvements or additions for air carrier airports made on or to the land, not to exceed a maximum term of 100 years.

Proposed law modifies present law by decreasing the monetary threshold of the addition or construction of improvements for non-air carrier airports from \$60,000 to \$30,000 to grant the option for the lessor to extend the primary term of a lease.

Proposed law modifies present law by decreasing the monetary threshold of the addition or construction of improvements for air carrier airports from \$100,000 to \$50,000 to grant the option for the lessor to extend the primary term of a lease.

(Amends R.S. 2:135.1(B)(2))