
DIGEST

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HB 181 Engrossed

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Riser

Abstract: Extends the time a cooperative endeavor agreement for use of the state's surface water may be entered.

Present law allows a person or entity to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement to withdraw running surface water.

Present law requires that a cooperative endeavor agreement to withdraw running surface water have an initial term not to exceed two years. Further requires that no new cooperative endeavor agreement can be entered into for which an application was received by the Dept. of Natural Resources after Dec. 31, 2020.

Proposed law removes the present law provision that prohibits any new cooperative endeavor agreement after Dec. 31, 2020.

Present law authorizes renewal of agreements in two-year increments but specifies that such agreements can terminate no later than Dec. 31, 2028.

Proposed law removes the Dec. 31, 2028 termination date applicable to the two-year renewals of existing agreements.

(Amends R.S. 30:961(E))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment to the original bill:

1. Eliminate the date by which an application must be received and eliminate the final termination date of the agreements.