

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 663

BY REPRESENTATIVE HILFERTY

APPROPRIATIONS/JUDGMENT: Appropriates funds for payment of the consent judgment against the state in the suit entitled Christopher Stough et al. v. Celadon Corporation et al.

1 AN ACT

2 To appropriate monies out of the state general fund for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 to be used to  
3 pay the consent judgment captioned "Christopher Stough and Hope Cantor Stough  
4 versus Celadon Corporation, Sammy Trotter, Illinois National Insurance Company,  
5 Zastrzyzhenyi Dmytro, Dosped, Inc., The State of Louisiana, through the Louisiana  
6 Department of Transportation and Development, and West Baton Rouge Parish  
7 Sherrif's Office" between the state of Louisiana, through the Department of  
8 Transportation and Development, and Christopher Stough and Hope Cantor Stough;  
9 to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

10 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

11 Section 1. The sum of Three Thousand and No/100 (\$3,000) Dollars is hereby  
12 payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for payment of the  
13 consent judgment captioned "Christopher Stough and Hope Cantor Stough versus Celadon  
14 Corporation, Sammy Trotter, Illinois National Insurance Company, Zastrzyzhenyi Dmytro,  
15 Dosped, Inc., The State of Louisiana, through the Louisiana Department of Transportation  
16 and Development, and West Baton Rouge Parish Sherrif's Office", signed on May 7, 2019,  
17 between the State of Louisiana, through the Department of Transportation and Development  
18 and Christopher Stough and Hope Cantor Stough, bearing Number 43,213 on the docket of  
19 the Eighteenth Judicial District Court, parish of West Baton Rouge, state of Louisiana.

1           Section 2. The judgment may only be paid from this appropriation if it is final and  
2 shall be paid as to principal, interest, court costs, and expert witness fees as awarded in the  
3 judgment. If the provisions of the judgment conflict with the provisions of this Act, the  
4 provisions of the judgment shall be controlling. Any other provision of this Act not in  
5 conflict with the provisions of the judgment shall control. Payment shall be made only after  
6 presentation to the state treasurer of documentation required by the state treasurer. Further,  
7 the judgment shall be deemed to have been paid on the effective date of this Act, and interest  
8 shall cease to run as of that date.

9           Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
10 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
11 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
12 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
13 effective on the day following such approval.

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#### DIGEST

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Appropriates \$3,000 out of the State General Fund (Direct) for FY 2020-2021 for payment of the consent judgment entitled Christopher Stough et al. v. Celadon Corporation et al., bearing No. 43,213 on the docket of the 18th JDC, parish of West Baton Rouge.

Proposed law provides requirements for payment from the state treasury. Provides contingencies in case of conflict between judgment and proposed law. Prohibits accrual of interest on the judgment as of the effective date of proposed law.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.