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**HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS**

2022 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Representative Schexnayder to Engrossed House Bill No. 1070  
by Representative Schexnayder

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "R.S. 29:725(A)" and before "to enact" delete "and 726(F)," and  
3 insert "and (F), 725.5, 726(B)(introductory paragraph) and (F), and 729(B)(introductory  
4 paragraph) and (12),"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 2

6 On page 1, line 3, after "repeal" and before "and 731," delete "R.S. 29:725.5, 726(E)(25),"  
7 and insert "R.S. 29:726(E)(25)"

8 AMENDMENT NO. 3

9 On page 1, line 4, after "Preparedness;" and before "to provide" insert "to provide relative  
10 to interoperability; to create the Emergency Communications Interoperability Fund;"

11 AMENDMENT NO. 4

12 On page 1, line 6, after "relative to" and before "parish" delete "employees in"

13 AMENDMENT NO. 5

14 On page 1, line 13, after "R.S. 29:725(A)" and before "are hereby" delete "and 726(F)" and  
15 insert "and (F), 725.5, 726(B)(introductory paragraph) and (F), and 729(B)(introductory  
16 paragraph) and (12),"

17 AMENDMENT NO. 6

18 On page 1, after line 20, insert the following:

19 "F.(1) The director shall, in addition to other staff, appoint regional  
20 coordinators and may appoint assistant coordinators for each homeland security and  
21 emergency preparedness region throughout the state, as provided by R.S.  
22 29:726(E)(21) to assist each of the parish offices of homeland security and  
23 emergency preparedness in the administration of the provisions of this Chapter.

24 (2)(a) The regional coordinator shall administer the emergency management  
25 training program provided in R.S. 29:726(F)(2) to local officials and employees  
26 identified by the parish president pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 29:728(G).

27 (b) The regional coordinator shall provide the training on no less than an  
28 annual basis and shall provide additional training as requested by any director of a  
29 parish office of homeland security and emergency preparedness.

30 (c) The training may be provided in-person or virtually, however, any virtual  
31 training shall require active participation from attendees.

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1 AMENDMENT NO. 7

2 On page 2, delete line 29 in its entirety and insert the following:

3 "(4) The assistant deputy director of interoperability shall work in conjunction  
4 with the interoperability subcommittee of the Unified Command Group to develop  
5 a plan for alternatives to the Louisiana Wireless Information Network. The plan  
6 shall be submitted to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget no later than  
7 March 1, 2023.

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9 §725.5. Assistant deputy director of interoperability Emergency Communications  
10 Interoperability Fund

11 ~~A. The office of interoperability shall be headed by an assistant deputy~~  
12 ~~director of interoperability who shall be in the unclassified service. The assistant~~  
13 ~~deputy director may delegate authority to such designees or to any governmental~~  
14 ~~body as the assistant deputy director may deem appropriate within the limitations of~~  
15 ~~state and federal laws, rules, and regulations. The assistant deputy director of~~  
16 ~~interoperability may promulgate rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of~~  
17 ~~R.S. 29:725.1 through 725.5.~~

18 ~~B. The assistant deputy director of interoperability shall work in conjunction~~  
19 ~~with the state Unified Command Group and interoperability subcommittee to~~  
20 ~~develop, implement, and maintain a secure interagency communication across~~  
21 ~~jurisdictional and geographic boundaries to enable end users to access authorized~~  
22 ~~information when and how they need it as identified in the statewide interoperability~~  
23 ~~plan and statewide communications interoperability plan for first responders.~~

24 ~~C. The assistant deputy director of interoperability shall perform the~~  
25 ~~following functions:~~

- 26 ~~(1) Serve as chairman of the interoperability subcommittee.~~
- 27 ~~(2) Serve as the state liaison for interoperability.~~
- 28 ~~(3) Administer the statewide communications interoperability plan in~~  
29 ~~coordination with the chief information officer or his designee.~~
- 30 ~~(4) Partner with local, state, and federal officials to achieve emergency~~  
31 ~~response interoperability in every parish throughout the state.~~
- 32 ~~(5) Leverage existing local, state, and federal efforts, including assets and~~  
33 ~~resources, to ensure better coordination and accountability for activities including but~~  
34 ~~not limited to research and development, testing and evaluation, standards, technical~~  
35 ~~assistance, training, and funding for interoperability.~~
- 36 ~~(6) Support the creation of interoperability standards.~~
- 37 ~~(7) Submit recommendations to the legislature relative to any changes in~~  
38 ~~state law necessary to remove barriers to achieving communications interoperability.~~

39 There is hereby created in the state treasury, as a special fund, the Emergency  
40 Communications Interoperability Fund, hereinafter referred to in this Section as the  
41 "fund".

42 B. All unexpended and unencumbered monies in the fund at the end of the  
43 fiscal year shall remain in the fund. Monies in the fund shall be invested in the same  
44 manner as monies in the state general fund. Interest earned on the investment of  
45 monies in the fund shall be deposited in and credited to the fund.

46 C. Monies in the fund shall be used to provide funding for alternatives to the  
47 Louisiana Wireless Information Network as provided in the plan submitted pursuant  
48 to R.S. 29:725(K)(4) and approved by the Joint Legislative Committee on the  
49 Budget.

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51 AMENDMENT NO. 8

52 On page 3, between lines 3 and 4, insert the following:

1 "B. The office shall prepare and maintain a homeland security and state  
2 emergency operations plan and keep it current, ~~which~~. The plan may shall include  
3 ~~any~~ of the following:

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5 AMENDMENT NO. 9

6 On page 3, between lines 15 and 16, insert the following:

7 "(b) Is accessible to local officials for the purpose of viewing the status of  
8 requests for resources and services."

9 AMENDMENT NO. 10

10 On page 3, at the beginning of line 16, change "(b)" to "(c)"

11 AMENDMENT NO. 11

12 On page 3, between lines 18 and 19, insert the following:

13 "(d) Sends automatic notifications to the requesting parish when the status  
14 of a request changes."

15 AMENDMENT NO. 12

16 On page 3, delete lines 19 through 24 in their entirety and insert the following:

17 "(2) Develop an emergency management training program for local officials  
18 and employees. The training program shall contain the following components:

19 (a) Instruction on submitting requests for resources and services.

20 (b) Information on the roles of the Governor's Office of Homeland Security  
21 and Emergency Preparedness, the parish offices of homeland security and emergency  
22 preparedness, and state agencies that provide resources and assistance for disaster  
23 preparedness, response, and recovery.

24 (c) Information on contracting for goods and services before, during, and  
25 after a disaster, procurement procedures, reimbursement requirements from the  
26 Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the utilization of prepositioned  
27 contracts.

28 (d) Availability and utilization of nonprofit organizations."

29 AMENDMENT NO. 13

30 On page 3, line 27, change "Department of Military Affairs" to "Military Department"

31 AMENDMENT NO. 14

32 On page 4, line 23, after "housing" and before "to" insert "directly adjacent to the survivor's  
33 damaged dwelling"

34 AMENDMENT NO. 15

35 On page 5, line 3, after "system" and before "Parishes" change the comma "," to a period "·"

36 AMENDMENT NO. 16

37 On page 5, delete line 18 in its entirety and insert "G. The parish president shall designate  
38 any parish, municipal, or special district employees the"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 17

2 On page 5, at the beginning of line 19, change "director" to "parish president"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 18

4 On page 5, line 20, after "disaster" and before "response" insert "or emergency"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 19

6 On page 5, line 21, after "any" and before "officials" change "elected" to "local"

7 AMENDMENT NO. 20

8 On page 5, line 22, after "by the" and before "have" change "director" to "parish president"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 21

10 On page 5, at the beginning of line 23, delete "program"

11 AMENDMENT NO. 22

12 On page 5, between lines 23 and 24, insert the following:

13 "§729. Parish homeland security and emergency preparedness agency authorities  
14 and responsibilities

15 \* \* \*

16 B. The parish office of homeland security and emergency preparedness shall  
17 prepare and maintain an all hazards emergency operations plan and keep it current;  
18 which. The plan may shall include any of the following:

19 \* \* \*

20 (12) Other necessary matters as determined by GOHSEP.

21 \* \* \*"

22 AMENDMENT NO. 23

23 On page 5, line 24, after "Section 2." and before "and 731," delete "R.S. 29:725.5,  
24 726(E)(25)," and insert "R.S. 29:726(E)(25)"