

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

SB 74

2023 Regular Session

Connick

June 7, 2023

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate and to the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning Senate Bill No. 74 by Senator Connick, recommend the following concerning the Reengrossed bill:

1. That the House Committee Amendments Nos. 1, 2, and 4 (#3318), proposed by the House Committee on Transportation Highways and Public Works and adopted by the House of Representatives on May 24, 2023, be rejected.
2. That the House Committee Amendments No. 3 (#3318), proposed by the House Committee on Transportation Highways and Public Works and adopted by the House of Representatives on May 24, 2023, be adopted.
3. That the House Floor Amendments Nos. 1 and 2 (#3541), proposed by Representative Wright and adopted by the House of Representatives on June 1, 2023, be adopted.
4. That the House Floor Amendments No. 1 (#3554), proposed by Representative Wright and adopted by the House of Representatives on June 1, 2023, be rejected.
5. That the House Floor Amendments No. 2 (#3554), proposed by Representative Wright and adopted by the House of Representatives on June 1, 2023, be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Senators:

Representatives:

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Senator Patrick McMath

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Representative Mark Wright

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Senator Patrick Connick

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Representative Barbara Reich Freiberg

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Senator Gary L. Smith Jr.

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Representative Timothy P. Kerner

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The legislative instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Archana Cadge.

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**CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST**

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

PORTS/HARBORS/TERMINALS. Creates the Southeast Louisiana Port Authority Advisory Commission. (8/1/23)

**Report adopts House amendments to:**

1. Change the appointed member of the advisory authority for the Port of Greater Baton Rouge from the from the president of the board of commissioners to the executive director.
2. Change the appointed member of the advisory authority for Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District from the chairman of the board of commissioners to the executive director.
3. Change the appointed member of the advisory authority for St. Bernard Port, Harbor and Terminal District from the President of the board of commissioners to the executive director.
4. Make technical changes.

**Report rejects House amendments which would have:**

1. Repealed provisions relative to the Louisiana International Deep Water Gulf Transfer Terminal Authority.

**Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee**

Proposed law creates the Southeast Louisiana Port Authority Advisory Commission.

Proposed law provides for the purpose of the commission and identifies the ports the commission represents which are located along and near the lower Mississippi River.

Proposed law provides for duties and responsibilities of the commission including preparing a maritime port mission plan, developing a one-, five-, and ten-year plan, reviewing each project eligible to be funded under the port construction and development priority program and making recommendations to the legislature.

Proposed law provides for the composition of board of commissioners, compensation of the commission, meetings, and quorum requirements.

Effective August 1, 2023.

(Adds R.S. 34:5210-5215)