HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

HB 605 2025 Regular Session Riser

NATURAL RESOURCES DEPT: Authorizes a fee for expedited processing performed by the Department of Energy and Natural Resources

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Clarifies that the expedited processing fee must be equal to the direct costs, including overtime, for processing or review.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the dept. to charge an expedited processing fee in addition to any fees provided by law or regulation when an applicant is granted a request for expedited processing.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides the basis of assessing the fee is based on direct costs incurred by the dept., including employee overtime, for expedited processing or review, and for an administrative surcharge of up to 20% of the total overtime cost.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for additional mailing or delivery costs to be borne by the applicant for services beyond the dept.'s normal level of service.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for a waiver of the processing fee if the need for expedited processing was caused by error, mistake, or delay of the dept.

(Adds R.S. 30:21.1)