

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 94

BY REPRESENTATIVE JONES

LEVEES/BDS & DISTRICTS: Provides relative to the powers and duties of the St. Mary Levee District

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 38:329.3(J) and (K), relative to the powers and duties of the St. Mary Levee  
3 District; to transfer all rights and obligations from contractual agreements with the  
4 United States Department of the Army relating to levee, floodwall, and floodgate  
5 property situated within St. Mary Parish to the St. Mary Levee District; to provide  
6 the authority for the St. Mary Levee District Board of Commissioners to serve as the  
7 nonfederal, local sponsor for all federal levee, floodwall, and flood control structures  
8 within St. Mary Parish; and to provide for related matters.

9 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published  
10 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of  
11 Louisiana.

12 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

13 Section 1. R.S. 38:329.3(J) and (K) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

14 §329.3. St. Mary Levee District Board of Commissioners; powers and duties

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16 J.(1) All rights and obligations, including but not limited to those belonging  
17 to the Town of Berwick, the City of Morgan City, and the Parish of St. Mary, arising  
18 from any and all contractual agreements, including "Acts of Assurances" and  
19 "Agreements for Local Cooperation", with the United States Department of the  
20 Army and relating to levee, floodwall, and floodgate property, exclusive of drainage

1 pumps, situated within St. Mary Parish, are hereby transferred to the St. Mary Levee  
2 District.

3 (2) The transfer of all rights and obligations set forth in this Subsection shall  
4 occur by operation of law and shall be complete without the necessity of any other  
5 act, instrument, or deed.

6 K. The board shall have the authority to serve as the sole nonfederal, local  
7 sponsor for all federal levees, floodwalls, and flood control structures situated within  
8 St. Mary Parish.

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#### DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Transfers all rights and obligations of Berwick, Morgan City, St. Mary Parish, and any other body arising from contractual agreements with the U.S. Dept. of the Army and relating to levee, floodwall, and floodgate property in St. Mary Parish to the St. Mary Levee District and provides the authority for the St. Mary Levee District to be designated as the sole non-federal, local sponsor for all federal levees, floodwalls, and flood control structures in St. Mary Parish.

Proposed law transfers all rights and obligations including but not limited to those belonging to the Town of Berwick, the City of Morgan City, and the Parish of St. Mary arising from any and all contractual agreements with the U.S. Dept. of the Army and relating to levee, floodwall, and floodgate property, exclusive of drainage pumps, situated within St. Mary Parish, to the St. Mary Levee District.

Proposed law provides the authority for the board of commissioners for the St. Mary Parish Levee District to serve as the nonfederal, local sponsor for all federal levees, floodwalls, and flood control structures situated in St. Mary Parish.

(Adds R.S. 38:329.3(J) and (K))