
DIGEST

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HB 65 Engrossed

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Abstract: Prohibits the placement of any obstruction within six feet of certain parts of levees in Orleans Parish.

Present law prohibits the placing of material or matter of any kind which obstructs or interferes with the safety of the levee or is an obstacle to the inspection, construction, maintenance, or repair of any levee within 15 feet of any part of the levee.

Proposed law prohibits placement of obstructions within six feet of any part of a levee fronting the 17th Street, Orleans Avenue or London Avenue outfall drainage canal in Orleans Parish not used for commercial navigation.

Proposed law provides that the prohibition in proposed law shall not be applied if the federal government, including but not limited to the United States Army Corps of Engineers or the Federal Emergency Management Agency, requires, by law or regulation, the prohibition in proposed law to be greater than six feet. In this event, present law would be applied to any part of a levee fronting the 17th Street, Orleans Avenue or London Avenue outfall drainage canal in Orleans Parish not used for commercial navigation.

(Amends R.S. 38:225(A)(1))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to the original bill:

1. Add a provision that specifies that proposed law shall not be applied if the federal government, including but not limited to the United States Army Corps of Engineers or the Federal Emergency Management Agency, requires, by law or regulation, the prohibition in proposed law to be greater than six feet.
2. Add a provision that clarifies present law would be applied to any part of a levee fronting the 17th Street, Orleans Avenue or London Avenue outfall drainage canal in Orleans Parish not used for commercial navigation if the federal government, including but not limited to the United States Army Corps of Engineers or the Federal Emergency Management Agency, requires, by law or regulation, the prohibition in proposed law to

be greater than six feet.

3. Make technical changes.