

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 102

BY SENATOR WALSWORTH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Environmental Quality to study including above ground bulk storage facilities in the Motor Fuels Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund.

WHEREAS, the Motor Fuels Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund (trust fund) has successfully protected human health and the environment by funding numerous cleanup projects related to underground storage tank releases; and

WHEREAS, many underground storage tank owners who fund and participate in the trust fund operate bulk plants which typically consist of above ground storage tanks and loading racks; and

WHEREAS, remediation costs resulting from releases from above ground storage tanks and loading racks which store and distribute motor fuels should be covered by the trust fund; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to ensure maximum utilization of the trust fund and that the environment is being protected, the Department of Environmental Quality should study the feasibility of including above ground bulk storage facilities to those facilities covered by the trust fund; and

WHEREAS, any such study should include representatives from the Louisiana Oil Marketers and Convenience Store Association, and Response Action Contractors.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby request the Department of Environmental Quality, in consultation with the Louisiana Oil Marketers and Convenience Store Association and Response Action Contractors, to study including above ground bulk storage facilities in the Motor Fuels Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES