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Abstract: Requires an expedited review, a minimum administrative fee, and public notice by an applicant when an expedited review is granted.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes the commissioner of conservation to develop and implement a program to expedite the processing of permits, modifications, licenses, registrations, and variances. <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> except adds the review of plans, proposals, and exceptions of related correspondence.

<u>Present law</u> establishes the fee for expediting the permit as the cost of the overtime hours that employees of the office of conservation or a contractor spends processing the application and an amount not to exceed 20% for administrative costs. Prohibits the overtime rate from exceeding the maximum per hour salary, including benefits, of a civil service employee of the office of conservation.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> except changes the fee on expedited reviews and requires a minimum fee of \$500 for administrative costs.

<u>Present law</u> requires the commissioner to adopt rules and regulations in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act to implement <u>present law</u>. <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>.

<u>Present law</u> provides the rules require a public notice be given when an expedited permit is requested.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides the rules require the applicant provide public notice when an expedited permit review is granted.

(Amends R.S. 30:4(Q))