2019 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 163

BY REPRESENTATIVE CREWS

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

CONSERVATION/COMMISSR: Relative to responsibilities for actions related to sequestration of carbon dioxide

AN ACT

To repeal R.S. 30:1104(B), relative to the storage of carbon dioxide; to provide for the responsibility of storage operators; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 30:1104(B) is hereby repealed in its entirety.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Removes provision placing the responsibility of performing requirements of the La. Geologic Sequestration of Carbon Dioxide Act only on storage operators.

Present law provides for policy and jurisdiction of the commissioner of conservation over the geologic storage and withdrawal of carbon dioxide.

Present law defines "storage operator" as the person authorized by the commissioner to operate a storage facility. Present law further provides that a storage operator can, but need not be, the owner of carbon dioxide injected into a storage facility.

Present law places the responsibility of performing actions required by the commissioner of conservation pursuant to the La. Geologic Sequestration of Carbon Dioxide Act only on storage operators.

Proposed law removes the requirement that the responsibility of performing actions are only on the storage operator.

(Repeals R.S. 30:1104(B))