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Abstract: Specifies the entities that have the authority to bring enforcement actions under La. Coastal Zone Management Program.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the secretary of the Dept. of Natural Resources, the attorney general, an appropriate district attorney, or a local government with an approved coastal program may bring actions to ensure compliance with the permitting program under the La. Coastal Zone Management Program.

<u>Proposed law</u> divides the authority between "uses of state concern" and "uses of local concern". For "uses of state concern," <u>proposed law</u> authorizes only the secretary of the Dept. of Natural Resources and the attorney general to bring actions to ensure compliance with the permitting program under the La. Coastal Zone Management Program. For "uses of local concern," <u>proposed law</u> authorizes the secretary of the Dept. of Natural Resources, the attorney general, an appropriate district attorney, or a local government with an approved coastal program to bring actions to ensure compliance with the permitting program under the La. Coastal Zone Management Program. Limits the district attorney and local government to "uses of local concern" only within their own jurisdiction.

(Amends R.S. 49:214.36(D) and (E))