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2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 153

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BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER

APPROPRIATIONS/JUDGMENT: Appropriates funds for payment of consent judgment against the Department of Transportation and Development in the suit entitled Kristina B. Cohran v. State of Louisiana, through the Department of Transportation and Development et al.

AN ACT

2 To appropriate monies out of the state general fund for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 to be used to 3 pay the consent judgment signed on October 29, 2020, between the State of Louisiana, through the Department of Transportation and Development and Kristina 4 5 Cohran in the suit entitled "Kristina B. Cohran versus State of Louisiana, through the 6 Department of Transportation and Development, Clayton General Store, L.L.C., 7 LCAYTON [sic] One Stop, L.L.C., and Joseph James Bazille, III"; to provide for an 8 effective date; and to provide for related matters. 9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 10 Section 1. The sum of Thirty Thousand and No/100 (\$30,000) dollars is hereby 11 payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for payment of the 12 consent judgment signed on October 29, 2020, between the State of Louisiana, through the 13 Department of Transportation and Development and Kristina Cohran in the suit entitled 14 "Kristina B. Cohran versus State of Louisiana, through the Department of Transportation and 15 Development, Clayton General Store, L.L.C., LCAYTON [sic] One Stop, L.L.C., and Joseph 16 James Bazille, III", bearing Number 51710 on the docket of the Seventh Judicial District 17 Court, parish of Concordia, state of Louisiana. 18 Section 2. A judgment may only be paid from this appropriation if it is final and 19 shall be paid as to principal, interest, court costs, and expert witness fees as awarded in the 20 judgment. If the provisions of the judgment conflict with the provisions of this Act, the

- 1 provisions of the judgment shall be controlling. Any other provision of this Act not in
- 2 conflict with the provisions of a judgment shall control. Payment shall be made only after
- 3 presentation to the state treasurer of documentation required by the state treasurer. Further,
- 4 the judgment shall be deemed to have been paid on the effective date of this Act, and interest
- 5 shall cease to run as of that date.
- 6 Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
- 7 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
- 8 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
- 9 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
- 10 effective on the day following such approval.

DIGEST

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Riser

Appropriates \$30,000 out of the State General Fund (Direct) for FY 2020-2021 for payment of the consent judgment in "Kristina B. Cohran versus State of Louisiana, through the Department of Transportation and Development, Clayton General Store, L.L.C., LCAYTON [sic] One Stop, L.L.C., and Joseph James Bazille, III", bearing No. 51710 on the docket of the 7th JDC, parish of Concordia.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides requirements for payment from the state treasury. Provides contingencies in case of conflict between judgment and <u>proposed law</u>. Prohibits accrual of interest on the judgment as of the effective date of proposed law.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.