2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 544

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BY REPRESENTATIVE HODGES AND SENATORS ALLAIN, POPE, WARD, WHITE, AND WOMACK

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 56:1855(M)(2) and (P)(1)(introductory paragraph), relative to
3	the Louisiana Scenic Rivers Act; to provide for certain permitting exceptions for
4	operations in Bayou Manchac; to extend the period for which the Comite River is
5	exempt from certain statutory requirements; and to provide for related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. R.S. 56:1855(M)(2) and (P)(1)(introductory paragraph) are hereby
8	amended and reenacted to read as follows:
9	§1855. Exceptions
10	* * *
1	M.
12	* * *
13	(2) Notwithstanding other provisions of R.S. 56:1853, clearing and snagging,
14	and dredging operations for drainage purposes, in Bayou Manchac shall be permitted
15	by the department in accordance with the requirements and procedures provided for
16	in R.S. 56:1849. However, beginning May 1, 2021, through August 1, 2026, no
17	provision of this Part shall require a permit for a local government to conduct
18	clearing and snagging and dredging operations for drainage purposes in Bayou
19	Manchae.
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1	P.(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of the law to the contrary,
2	beginning August 1, 2018, through August 1, 2021, August 1, 2026, no provision of
3	this Part shall:
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	SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
	PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE
	GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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