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Abstract: Requires certain agencies within the Dept. of Culture, Recreation and Tourism to evaluate certain drainage projects.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires an agency placed within the Dept. of Culture, Recreation and Tourism with responsibility for parks and recreational facilities to require a licensed civil engineer to conduct certain tasks with respect to any new drainage project located within the jurisdiction of the agency including but not limited to:

- (1) Evaluating the design and maintenance on a quarterly basis including providing a monthly status report on the level of dredging in park lagoons during the months of Jan. through May.
- (2) Providing weekly status reports on the dredging level from June through Nov. and the reports must include a measurement of the depth and water quality of the lagoons and the measurements must be approved by a civil engineer who certifies their accuracy.
- (3) Being present at the local flood protection authority during any named tropical storm or hurricane.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the agency to hire a licensed horticulturist and civil engineer to maintain drainage equipment, bioswales, etc.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the new infrastructure project must be eliminated or revert to a pump system run by a local sewerage and water board if the agency does not meet the requirements of <u>proposed law</u> or funding is not available to meet the requirements.

(Adds R.S. 36:209.1)