

## SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 354

2022 Regular Session

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**KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE**

COMMERCIAL REGULATIONS. Provides for the "Louisiana Consumer Fuel Choice Act" and provides for sale, transportation, and acceptance of propane and other fuels to individuals in disasters. (gov sig)

**SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL**

1. Adds provisions regarding the sale, transportation, and acceptance of fuel.
2. Makes technical changes.

**DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE**

## DIGEST

SB 354 Engrossed

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Proposed law provides for the sale, transportation, and acceptance of fuel following a natural disaster. Provides that in accordance with the Louisiana Homeland Security and Emergency Assistance and Disaster Act and upon written authorization from the secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development, the diversion, sale, transport, delivery, or acceptance of gasoline, diesel fuel, liquified petroleum gas, motor fuel, special fuel, gasohol, liquified natural gas, and other types of fuel, across jurisdictional boundaries within the state shall not be restricted or prohibited when needed for disaster recovery. Includes supplying fuel to generators, motor vehicles, homes and other resources to provide electricity, heat, light, meals, and other necessities to persons in affected areas.

Proposed law is not to be construed as waiving any mandatory federal law, nor as creating any exception, to the extent that the may be applicable to the transport of commodities described proposed law.

Proposed law establishes the "Louisiana Consumer Fuel Choice Act".

Proposed law defines "energy type" to include aviation fuel, biofuel, compressed natural gas, diesel, electricity to be utilized for the charging of electric vehicles, gasoline, gas distillates, hydrogen, liquified petroleum gas, and renewable diesel.

Proposed law provides that no local governing authority shall adopt an ordinance, rule, or law that limits consumer access to an energy type or that results in the prohibition of a wholesaler, retailer, energy producer, or the related infrastructure that is necessary to provide consumer access to a specific energy type within the local governing authority.

Proposed law prohibits construing any provision of proposed law to restrict, impair, or diminish the regulatory authority of the Louisiana Energy and Power Authority, a municipally owned electric system, the Louisiana Public Service Commission, or of any governing authority of a political subdivision that regulates a public utility in accordance with Const. Art. IV, Section 21.

Proposed law provides for retroactive and prospective application.

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

(Adds R.S. 51:1611, and 3051 through 3053)

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