

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 609

BY REPRESENTATIVE EDMONSTON

APPROPRIATIONS/JUDGMENT: Appropriates funding for the consent judgment against the state in the suit entitled Matthew Anders v. State of La. through the Dept. of Transportation and Development

1 AN ACT

2 To appropriate monies to be used to pay the consent judgment captioned "Matthew Anders
3 vs State of Louisiana through the Department of Transportation and Development"
4 between the state of Louisiana, through the Department of Transportation and
5 Development, and Matthew Anders; to provide for an effective date; and to provide
6 for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. The sum of Four Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand and No/100 (\$495,000)
9 Dollars is hereby payable as follows for payment of the consent judgment captioned
10 "Matthew Anders vs State of Louisiana through the Department of Transportation and
11 Development", signed on December 15, 2022, between the state of Louisiana, through the
12 Department of Transportation and Development and Matthew Anders, bearing Number
13 109,705, Division A, on the docket of the Twenty-Third Judicial District, parish of
14 Ascension, state of Louisiana.

15 Section 2. Of the sum appropriated pursuant to Section 1 of this Act:

16 (A) An amount equal to Four Hundred Thousand and No/100 (\$400,000) is hereby
17 payable to Matthew Anders out of the State General Fund (Direct) for Fiscal Year 2022-
18 2023.

1 (B) A sum of up to Ninety-Five Thousand and No/100 (\$95,000.00) Dollars awarded
2 to Matthew Anders in the judgment for future medical care and related benefits shall be
3 payable from the Future Medical Care Fund pursuant to R.S. 39:1533.2.

4 Section 3. The judgment may only be paid from this appropriation if it is final and
5 shall be paid as to principal, interest, court costs, and expert witness fees as awarded in the
6 judgment. If the provisions of the judgment conflict with the provisions of this Act, the
7 provisions of the judgment shall be controlling. Any other provision of this Act not in
8 conflict with the provisions of the judgment shall control. Payment shall be made only after
9 presentation to the state treasurer of documentation required by the state treasurer. Further,
10 the judgment shall be deemed to have been paid on the effective date of this Act, and interest
11 shall cease to run as of that date.

12 Section 4. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
13 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
14 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
15 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
16 effective on the day following such approval.

DIGEST

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Appropriates \$495,000 for payment of the consent judgment against the state in the suit entitled Matthew Anders vs State of Louisiana through the Dept. of Transportation and Development, bearing No. 109,705, Section A, on the docket of the 23rd Judicial District, parish of Ascension. Provides that \$400,000 is payable to Matthew Anders out of the State General Fund (Direct) for FY 2022-2023 and \$95,000 is payable to Matthew Anders out of the Future Medical Care Fund, pursuant to present law.

Proposed law provides relative to payment. Provides relative to conflicts between the judgment and proposed law. 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.