

1 Section 4. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted
 2 to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on October 14,
 3 2023.

4 Section 5. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at the election,
 5 there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted
 6 to vote YES or NO, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as
 7 follows:

8 Do you support an amendment to remove provisions of the Constitution of
 9 Louisiana which created the following inactive special funds within the state
 10 treasury: Atchafalaya Basin Conservation Fund, Higher Education Louisiana
 11 Partnership Fund, Millennium Leverage Fund, Agricultural and Seafood
 12 Products Support Fund, First Use Tax Trust Fund, Louisiana Investment
 13 Fund for Enhancement and to provide for the transfer of any remaining
 14 monies in such funds to the state general fund? (Repeals Article VII, Sections
 15 4(D)(4)(b), 10.4, 10.10, and 10.12(B) and (C) and Article IX, Sections 9 and
 16 10)

DIGEST

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HB 254 Re-Reengrossed

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Abstract: Repeals certain funds provided for in the constitution.

Present constitution establishes the Atchafalaya Basin Conservation Fund and provides for deposits and uses of monies in such fund in Article VII, Section 4(D)(4)(b). The fund was established to fund projects under the Atchafalaya Basin Program within the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority. Provides for implementation of the fund contingent upon certain conditions being met.

Proposed constitutional amendment repeals present constitution.

Present constitution establishes the Higher Education Louisiana Partnership Fund and provides for deposits into and uses of monies in such fund in Article VII, Section 10.4.

Proposed constitutional amendment repeals present constitution.

Present constitution establishes the Millennium Leverage Fund and provides for deposits into and uses of monies in such fund in Article VII, Section 10.10.

Proposed constitutional amendment repeals present constitution.

Present constitution establishes the Agricultural and Seafood Products Support Fund and provides for deposits and uses of monies in such fund in Article VII, Section 10.12(B) and (C).

Proposed constitutional amendment repeals present constitution.

Present constitution establishes the First Use Tax Trust Fund and provides for deposits and uses of monies in such fund in Article IX, Section 9.

Proposed constitutional amendment repeals present constitution.

Present constitution establishes the Louisiana Investment Fund for Enhancement and provides for deposits into and uses of monies in such fund in Article IX, Section 10.

Proposed constitutional amendment repeals present constitution.

Provides for the transfer to the state general fund any remaining monies in the repealed funds upon the adoption of proposed constitutional amendment.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held Oct. 14, 2023.

(Repeals Const. Art. VII, §§4(D)(4)(b), 10.4, 10.10, and 10.12(B) and (C) and Const. Art. IX, §§9 and 10)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to the engrossed bill:

1. Change the ballot language to specify that the special funds being removed from the constitution are inactive.

The House Floor Amendments to the reengrossed bill:

1. Remove the language repealing Article VII, Section 10.12 and limit the repeal to Article VII, Section 10.12(B) and (C).
2. Add language authorizing the state treasurer to transfer to the state general fund any remaining balances in the repealed funds upon the adoption of the constitutional amendment.
3. Make technical changes.