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SENATE BILL NO. 46

BY SENATOR FESI

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Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL. To prohibit the intentional release, or dispersion of chemicals into the environment of this state with the express purpose of affecting temperature. (8/1/25)

1	AN ACT
2	To enact R.S. 30:2057(A)(3) and to repeal Chapter 25 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised
3	Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 37:2201 through 2208, relative to the intentional
4	release of substances into the atmosphere to affect weather or temperature; to
5	provide for prohibitions; and to provide for related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. R.S. 30:2057(A)(3) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
8	§2057. Prohibitions; exceptions
9	A. No person shall:
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11	(3) Intentionally inject, release, apply, or disperse, by any means, a
12	chemical, chemical compound, substance, or apparatus into the atmosphere
13	within the borders of this state for the express purpose of affecting the
14	temperature, weather, climate, or intensity of sunlight. The provisions of this
15	Paragraph shall not apply to the injection, release, or dispersal of fire retardant

or fire suppressant substances for purposes of extinguishing or suppressing fire,

or to the aerial application of seeds, fertilizers, or pesticides for agriculture or

## forestry purposes.

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Section 2. Chapter 25 of Title 37 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950,

comprised of R.S. 37:2201 through 2208, is hereby repealed.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Senate Legislative Services. The keyword, summary, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

## DIGEST

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<u>Present law</u> prohibits the discharge of air contaminants into the air of the state and provides for certain exceptions.

<u>Proposed law</u> maintains <u>present law</u> and prohibits the introduction of substances into the atmosphere for the express purpose of modifying weather, temperature, climate, or sunlight. Further provides exceptions for fire fighting, agriculture, and forestry.

<u>Present law</u> provides for issuance of a license to modify weather, for application and license fees, for disposition of the fees, for penalties for modifying weather without a license, and for evaluation of modification operations.

Proposed law repeals present law.

Effective August 1, 2025.

(Adds R.S. 30:2057(A)(3); repeals R.S. 37:2201-2208)