DIGEST

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Abstract: Establishes a conservation incentive program fund to assist private landowners with enhancing wildlife habitats and wetlands on private property and establishes criteria for obtaining assistance.

<u>Present law</u> provides for annual reports to the governor, limits purposes for use of money in certain funds, and provides for the creation of special funds.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds the Conservation Incentive Program to the list of special funds created in <u>present</u> <u>law</u>.

<u>Proposed law</u> creates the Conservation Incentive Program to assist private landowners with improving wildlife habitat on their property.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for the Conservation Incentive Program to seek additional funding through federal grant programs and other public and private funding sources and to select recipients.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for the dept. to promulgate and adopt rules and regulations for the implementation of the Conservation Incentive Program.

<u>Proposed law</u> makes implementation of the program contingent on legislative appropriation of sufficient funding.

(Adds R.S. 56:10(B)(20), 1938.1, and 1938.2)