

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Existing law prohibits the discharge of air contaminants into the air of the state and provides for certain exceptions.

New law 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 activities at altitudes under one thousand feet above ground level.

New law provides that any person who observes activity violating new law may report such to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ.)

New law requires the LDEQ to establish procedures and adopt rules allowing for the intake of reports, including by electronic means. Further requires the department to receive the reports for data collection and make them available on the department's website or the Electronic Document Management System.

Prior law provided 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.

New law repeals prior law.

Effective August 1, 2025.

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