

SENATE BILL NO. 349

BY SENATOR CATHEY

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 49:191(3)(b) and to repeal R.S. 49:191(1)(k), relative to the Department of
3 Agriculture and Forestry, including provisions to provide for the re-creation of the
4 Department of Agriculture and Forestry and the statutory entities made a part of the
5 department by law; to provide for the effective termination date for all statutory
6 authority for the existence of such statutory entities; to provide for an effective date;
7 and to provide for related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. Pursuant to R.S. 49:193, the Department of Agriculture and Forestry and
10 the statutory entities made a part of the department by law shall be re-created effective June
11 30, 2026, and all statutory authority therefore is continued in accordance with the provisions
12 of Part XII of Chapter 1 of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950.

13 Section 2. All statutory authority for the existence of the Department of Agriculture
14 and Forestry and the statutory entities made a part of the department as re-created by Section
15 1 of this Act shall cease as of July 1, 2031, pursuant to R.S. 49:191. However, the
16 Department of Agriculture and Forestry may be re-created prior to such date in accordance
17 with the provisions of Part XII of Chapter 1 of Title 49 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of
18 1950.

19 Section 3. The provisions of R.S. 49:193 are hereby superseded to the extent that
20 those provisions are in conflict with the provisions of this Act.

21 Section 4. R.S. 49:191(3)(b) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

22 §191. Termination of legislative authority for existence of statutory entities;
23 phase-out period for statutory entities; table of dates

