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## DIGEST

Riser (SB 265)

<u>Proposed law</u> creates the Louisiana Entrepreneurial Assistance and Development (LEAD) Program which grants a tax reduction to insurance companies under certain circumstances.

Proposed law provides definitions.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides with respect to premium tax credits, applications for certification as a LEAD fund, and applications for tax credits.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for information to be communicated to the secretary of the Louisiana Department of Economic Development once an entity has received eligible capital.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that a LEAD fund shall not invest more that 15% of it eligible capital in any one eligible business, without the permission of the secretary of Louisiana Department of Economic Development.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides relative to a fund maintaining its compliance with the conditions set forth for LEAD funds.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the Louisiana Department of Economic Development shall be responsible for the administration of the program.

Effective August 15, 2011.

(Adds R.S. 22:832.1 and R.S. 51:3121-3132)

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to the original bill.

1. Requires DED to file an annual report with the House Ways and Means and Revenue and Fiscal Affairs committees regarding the manner in which all Lead Funds which have received eligible capital have invested such capital; in which eligible businesses have the investments been made and the amount thereof; the jobs created by and the success or failure of such eligible businesses; the share received by the state of Lead Fund distributions; and whether the investment tax

credit has achieved "revenue neutrality", that is, the cost to the state of the credit is offset by value received by the state.