

Regular Session, 2013

SENATE BILL NO. 160

BY SENATOR DORSEY-COLOMB

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

PUBLIC WORKS. Identifies which Department of Public Works is referenced in certain groundwater conservation districts. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact a definition for a reference in certain districts; to provide relative to groundwater  
3 conservation districts; to specify which department of public works; and to provide  
4 for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 **Section 1. Whenever the "director of the Department of Public Works" or "the**  
7 **assistant secretary or a member of his staff designated by him, shall be appointed and**  
8 **shall represent the office of conservation of the Department of Natural Resources as**  
9 **well as other state institutions which are users of groundwater" are referred to in any**  
10 **provision of law concerning a groundwater conservation district created by law that**  
11 **includes a parish with a population in excess of four hundred thousand based upon the**  
12 **most recent federal decennial census, it shall mean the director of the Department of**  
13 **Public Works or his designee of the municipality having the greatest population within**  
14 **the district.**

15 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
16 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
17 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If

- 1 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
2 effective on the day following such approval.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Michael Bell.

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#### DIGEST

Dorsey-Colomb (SB 160)

Proposed law provides that whenever the "director of the Department of Public Works" or "the assistant secretary or a member of his staff designated by him, shall be appointed and shall represent the office of conservation of the Department of Natural Resources as well as other state institutions which are users of groundwater" is referred to in a provision of law regarding a groundwater conservation district created by law and the district is included in a parish with a population in excess of 400,000, it shall mean the director of the Department of Public Works or his designee of the municipality having the greatest population in the district.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

#### Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

##### Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs to the original bill

1. Adds to the defined terms the provisions regarding personnel of the Department of Natural Resources.
2. Adds requirement that the groundwater conservation district created by law include a parish with a population in excess of 400,000.