

Regular Session, 2013

SENATE BILL NO. 216

BY SENATORS WALSWORTH, GALLOT, RISER AND THOMPSON

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

PUBLIC BUILDINGS/GROUNDS. Authorizes the transfer of certain state property in Ouachita and Iberville Parishes. (8/1/13)

1 AN ACT

2 To authorize and provide for the transfer of certain state property; to authorize the transfer  
3 of certain state property in Ouachita and Iberville parishes; to provide for the  
4 property description; to provide for reservation of mineral rights; to provide terms  
5 and conditions; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. The commissioner of administration, notwithstanding any other  
8 provision of law to the contrary, is hereby authorized and empowered to convey,  
9 transfer, assign, lease or deliver any interest, excluding mineral rights, the state may  
10 have to all or any portion of the following described parcels of property to Vantage  
11 Health Plan, Inc., provided Vantage Health Plan, Inc. enters into a cooperative  
12 endeavor agreement that includes job and payroll performance obligations at the  
13 operations on the transferred property with the Department of Economic  
14 Development:

15 Parcel 1 - Hotel

16 Lots "C" and "D" of Square Two (2), according to the old plat of the City of  
17 Monroe, on file in the office of the Clerk of Court, Ouachita Parish, Louisiana,

1 the said lots together fronting 158.61 feet, more or less, on St. John Street and  
2 running back in said Square Two (2) in a westerly direction between parallel  
3 lines, one of which is the north line of Grammont Street, a distance of 151.07  
4 feet, more or less.

5 Parcel 2- Rear lot, sometimes referred to as parking lot

6 That certain lot in the rear of said Virginia Hotel Building, measuring 151.07  
7 feet along the North line of Grammont Street and 101.33 feet along the East line  
8 of South Grand Street, which lot is more particularly described as follows:

9 Commence at the intersection of the East line of South Grand Street with the  
10 North line of Grammont Street, thence run along the East line of South Grand  
11 Street in a Northerly direction a distance of 101.33 feet to the South line of the  
12 lot owned by the Ouachita National Bank in Monroe, as established by the  
13 boundary agreement between Frost-Whited Company, Inc., and the Ouachita  
14 National Bank; thence run in an easterly direction along the said boundary line  
15 a distance of 151.02 feet, more or less, to the rear line of said Lots "C" and "D"  
16 of Square Two (2), then run in a southerly direction along the rear line of Lots  
17 "C" and "D" to the North line of Grammont Street; then run in a westerly  
18 direction along the North line of Grammont Street a distance of 151.07 feet to  
19 the POINT OF BEGINNING.

20 Being the same property acquired by vendor from Frost-Whited Company, Inc.,  
21 by act of conveyance dated September 8, 1960, and recorded in Conveyance  
22 Book 711, page 456 of the records of Ouachita Parish, Louisiana, to which  
23 special reference is here made.

24 Section 2. The commissioner of administration is hereby authorized to enter  
25 into such agreements, covenants, conditions, and stipulations and to execute such  
26 documents as necessary to properly effectuate any conveyance, transfer, assignment,  
27 lease or delivery of title, excluding mineral rights, to the property described in Section  
28 1, and as more specifically described in any such agreements entered into and  
29 documents executed by and between the commissioner of administration and Vantage

1 Health Plan, Inc., in exchange of consideration proportionate to at least the appraised  
2 value of the property and provided Vantage Health Plan, Inc. enters into a cooperative  
3 endeavor agreement that includes job and payroll performance obligations at the  
4 operations on the transferred property with the Department of Economic Development.

5 Section 3. The commissioner of administration, notwithstanding any other  
6 provision of law to the contrary, is hereby authorized and empowered to convey,  
7 transfer, assign, lease or deliver any interest, excluding mineral rights, the state may  
8 have to all or any portion of the following described parcel of property to a business  
9 entity that enters into a cooperative endeavor agreement that includes job and payroll  
10 performance obligations at the operations on the transferred property with the  
11 Department of Economic Development:

12 A parcel of 2,150 acres, more or less, in three contiguous tracts, in Iberville  
13 Parish within the town of St. Gabriel, being the same property acquired by the  
14 state from Frank Polk and Marie Pasquali Polk by act of sale dated December  
15 6, 1978, and recorded in Conveyance Book 279, Entry 134 of the records of  
16 Iberville Parish.

17 Section 4. The commissioner of administration is hereby authorized to enter into  
18 such agreements, covenants, conditions, and stipulations and to execute such  
19 documents as necessary to properly effectuate any conveyance, transfer, assignment,  
20 lease or delivery of title, excluding mineral rights, to the property described in Section  
21 3, and as more specifically described in any such agreements entered into and  
22 documents executed by and between the commissioner of administration and a business  
23 entity that enters into a cooperative endeavor agreement that includes job and payroll  
24 performance obligations at the operations on the transferred property with the  
25 Department of Economic Development, in exchange of consideration proportionate to  
26 at least the appraised value of the property. Prior to the conveyance, transfer,  
27 assignment, lease or delivery of any interest in the property described in Section 3, the  
28 business entity shall be approved by the House Committee on Natural Resources and  
29 Environment and the Senate Committee on Natural Resources.

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The original instrument was prepared by J. W. Wiley. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Cathy R. Wells.

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#### DIGEST

Walsworth (SB 216)

Authorizes the division of administration to transfer certain state property in Ouachita Parish to Vantage Health Plan, Inc. provided that Vantage Health Plan, Inc. enters into a cooperative endeavor agreement that includes job and payroll performance obligations at the operations on the transferred property with the Dept. of Economic Development.

Authorizes the division of administration to transfer certain state property in Iberville Parish within the town of St. Gabriel to a business entity that enters into a cooperative endeavor agreement that includes job and payroll performance obligations at the operations on the transferred property with Dept. of Economic Development. Requires approval of the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment and the Senate Committee on Natural Resources of such business entity prior to the conveyance, transfer, assignment, lease, or delivery of any interest in the Iberville Parish property.

Effective August 1, 2013.

#### Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

##### Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Requires Vantage Health Plan, Inc. to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement that includes job and payroll performance obligations at the operations on the transferred property with Dept. of Economic Development prior to property transfer in Ouachita Parish.
2. Authorizes the division of administration to transfer certain state property in Iberville Parish to a business entity that enters into a cooperative endeavor agreement that includes job and payroll performance obligations at the operations on the transferred property with Dept. of Economic Development.
3. Requires approval of the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment and the Senate Committee on Natural Resources of the business entity prior to the conveyance, transfer, assignment, lease, or delivery of any interest in the Iberville Parish property.