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DIGEST

Mills (SB 200)

Proposed law provides a definition for "solution mined caverns".

Proposed law provides that the legislature finds that La. contains a number of salt dome formations which have been subject to catastrophic influences caused by certain activities permitted by the state and conducted in close proximity to salt domes and adjacent formations.

Proposed law prohibits the commissioner of conservation from issuing permits for the creation of a solution mined cavern or to convert a solution mined cavern to storage or waste disposal in any area where the salt stock underlying a state owned water bottom has structurally failed if that failure was man made.

Proposed law provides an exception for the U.S. Strategic Petroleum Reserve or any entity regulated by the Offshore Terminal Authority.

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

(Adds R.S. 30:23.1)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Natural Resources to the original bill

1. Removes certain legislative findings.
2. Replaces provisions of proposed law.
3. Prohibits the commissioner from issuing certain solution mined cavern permits.
4. Adds certain exemptions.