
SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senator Heitmeier to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 500 by Senator Heitmeier

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "enact" and before "R.S. 47:7019.2" insert "R.S. 9:154.3 and"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 1, line 5, after "refunds;" and before "and to" insert the following:

5 "to declare certain funds as abandoned unclaimed property; to provide for the
6 disposition of certain abandoned unclaimed funds; to create the Crescent City
7 Amnesty Refund Fund as a special fund in the state treasury and provide for the
8 disposition of monies in the fund;"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 3

10 On page 1, between lines 6 and 7 insert the following:

11 "Section 1. R.S. 9:154.3 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

12 §154.3. Crescent City Connection amnesty program; Crescent City
13 Amnesty Refund Fund; disposition

14 A. Notwithstanding the provisions of R.S. 9:154 or any other provision
15 of law to the contrary, the provisions of this Section shall apply to monies
16 collected as a result of the amnesty program provided for in R.S. 47:7019.1 for
17 those persons who failed to pay a toll to cross the Crescent City Connection
18 Bridge, prior to January 1, 2013.

19 B. Notwithstanding the provisions of R.S. 48:1161.2(D)(c), and prior to
20 appropriation of any monies to the New Orleans Regional Planning
21 Commission, on July 1, 2014, one hundred twenty-eight thousand six hundred
22 eighty-one dollars of monies on deposit in the Crescent City Transition Fund
23 shall be deemed abandoned funds for the purposes of treatment as unclaimed
24 property in accordance with the provisions of this Section.

25 C. Funds that are deemed abandoned funds pursuant to this Section
26 shall be immediately transferred from the Crescent City Transition Fund by the
27 state treasurer in his capacity as administrator of the Uniform Unclaimed
28 Property Act. The state treasurer shall deposit these funds into the Crescent
29 City Amnesty Refund Fund as provided in this Section, and shall provide for
30 the return of such funds to their owners in accordance with the Uniform
31 Unclaimed Property Act during the term set forth in R.S. 47:7019.2. The state
32 treasurer shall further provide for the payment of all unexpended and
33 unencumbered funds remaining in the Crescent City Amnesty Refund Fund as
34 of July 1, 2015, in accordance with the provisions of this Section.

35 D. (1) There is hereby created the Crescent City Amnesty Refund Fund
36 as a special fund in the state treasury, hereinafter referred to as the "fund".
37 The source of monies for the fund shall be the monies transferred from the
38 Crescent City Transition Fund as provided for this Section.

39 (2) After compliance with the requirements of Article VII, Section 9(B)
40 of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the Bond Security and Redemption
41 Fund, an amount equal to that deposited into the state treasury from the
42 foregoing sources shall be deposited in and credited to the fund. The monies in
43 the fund shall be invested by the treasurer in the same manner as the state
44 general fund, and interest earnings shall be deposited into the fund.

1 **(3) All unexpended and unencumbered monies remaining in the fund on**
2 **July 1, 2015, shall be appropriated as follows:**

3 **(a) An amount not to exceed thirty percent of the monies in the fund**
4 **shall be appropriated to the Department of Transportation and Development**
5 **for operational and maintenance costs for the New Orleans ferries, formerly**
6 **operated by its Crescent City Connection Division.**

7 **(b) The balance of the monies in the fund as of July 1, 2015, shall be**
8 **appropriated to the New Orleans Regional Planning Commission for lighting**
9 **of the eastbank and westbank approaches to the Crescent City Connection**
10 **Bridge, including General DeGaulle and the Westbank Expressway approach**
11 **through ground level, improvements to ingress and egress points, lighting,**
12 **maintenance, grass cutting, and landscaping of the Westbank Expressway and**
13 **its connecting arteries.**

14 **(4) The state treasurer shall be relieved of all liability which may arise**
15 **with respect to such distribution of funds.**

16 **E. All data associated with monies deposited into the Crescent City**
17 **Transition Fund that was collected by the Department of Transportation and**
18 **Development pursuant to R.S. 47:7013.1 shall be transferred by such**
19 **department to the state treasurer pursuant to this Section and shall be provided**
20 **by such department to the Unclaimed Property Division in an electronic format**
21 **as designated by such division.**

22 **F. For the purposes of this Section, holder requirements under R.S.**
23 **9:159 shall be deemed waived.**

24 **G. The state treasurer in his capacity as administrator of the Uniform**
25 **Unclaimed Property Act may establish policies and procedures as necessary to**
26 **implement the provisions of this Section.**

27 **H. All books, papers, and records transferred to the state treasurer**
28 **pursuant to this Section shall be retained for a period of no less than five years**
29 **following such transfer.**

30 **I. The provisions of this Section shall supersede and control to the extent**
31 **of conflict with any other provision of law."**

32 AMENDMENT NO. 4

33 On page 1, line 7, change "Section 1" to Section 2"

34 AMENDMENT NO. 5

35 On page 1, line 14, after "**treasurer**" and before "**for the**" insert "**, as administrator of the**
36 **Uniform Unclaimed Property Act,**"

37 AMENDMENT NO. 6

38 On page 2, line 3, after "**treasurer**" and before "**shall**" insert "**, as administrator of the**
39 **Uniform Unclaimed Property Act,**"

40 AMENDMENT NO. 7

41 On page 2, line 8, after "**Section.**" insert "**Any refund payment shall be made by the**
42 **treasurer from the Crescent City Amnesty Refund Fund as provided in R.S. 9:154.3."**

43 AMENDMENT NO. 8

44 On page 2, line 10, change "**December 31,**" to "**June 30,**"

45 AMENDMENT NO. 9

46 On page 2, line 13, change "**December 31,**" to "**June 30,**" and after "**treasurer**" and before
47 "**shall**" insert "**, as administrator of the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act,**"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 10

2 On page 2, delete lines 16 through 20 in their entirety.

3 AMENDMENT NO. 11

4 On page 2, line 21, at the beginning of the line change "D." to "C." and change "A through
5 C" to "A and B"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 12

7 On page 2, line 22, change "January 1, 2016" to "June 30, 2015"

8 AMENDMENT NO. 13

9 On page 2, line 23, at the beginning of the line change "E." to "D."

10 AMENDMENT NO. 14

11 On page 2, line 27, at the beginning of the line change "F." to "E."