HLS 15RS-414 ORIGINAL

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 65

1

BY REPRESENTATIVE LORUSSO

LEVEES: Provides relative to the placement of obstructions upon certain levees in Orleans Parish

AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 38:225(A)(1)(a), relative to levees; to limit the placement of 3 obstructions upon certain levees in Orleans Parish; and to provide for related matters. 4 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published as 5 provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of Louisiana. 6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 7 Section 1. R.S. 38:225(A)(1)(a) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows: 8 §225. Obstructions on levees, waterways, and rights-of-way therefor; removal at 9 expense of person responsible; destroying markers prohibited 10 A. No person shall: 11 (1)(a) Place or cause to be placed upon or within fifteen feet of any part of 12 the levees fronting any waterway or upon or within six feet of any part of a levee 13 fronting the 17th Street, Orleans Avenue or London Avenue outfall drainage canal 14 located in Orleans Parish not used for commercial navigation and is subject to the 15 control or surveillance of police juries, levee boards, municipal corporations, or other 16 authorized boards or departments any object, material, or matter of any kind or 17 character which obstructs or interferes with the safety of the levees or is an obstacle 18 to the inspection, construction, maintenance, or repair of any levee; or place or cause 19 to be placed any object, structure, material, or matter of any kind or character upon any part of any land which the state or any agency or subdivision thereof may own 20

CODING: Words in struck through type are deletions from existing law; words underscored are additions.

or acquire by deed, lease, servitude, charge, or otherwise, and through its authorized representative, may donate, grant, or otherwise convey to the United States' rights-of-way, easements, or other servitudes for the construction, improvement, or maintenance of any flood-control structures or natural or other waterway, which may obstruct or interfere with the improvement or maintenance of such waterway or use of the land for flood-control purposes.

\* \* \*

## **DIGEST**

The digest printed below was prepared by House Legislative Services. It constitutes no part of the legislative instrument. The keyword, one-liner, abstract, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

HB 65 Original

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

2015 Regular Session

Lorusso

**Abstract:** Prohibits the placement of any obstruction within six feet of certain parts of levees in Orleans Parish.

<u>Present law</u> prohibits the placing of material or matter of any kind which obstructs or interferes with the safety of the levee or is an obstacle to the inspection, construction, maintenance, or repair of any levee within 15 feet of any part of the levee.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds a prohibition on placement of obstructions within six feet of any part of a levee fronting the 17th Street, Orleans Avenue or London Avenue outfall drainage canal in Orleans Parish not used for commercial navigation.

(Amends R.S. 38:225(A)(1)(a))