

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 745

BY REPRESENTATIVE BARROW

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

WATER/RESOURCES: Provides for limitations of memberships of boards charged with the responsibility to conserve ground water

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 38:3097.4(D)(6), relative to the conservation of groundwater; to
3 provide for entities responsible for the conservation of groundwater; to limit
4 membership of boards governing certain entities; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 38:3097.4(D)(6) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §3097.4. Water Resources Commission; membership; powers and responsibilities

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11 (6)(a) Direct the commissioner to promulgate rules and regulations for the
12 appointment or designation of up to five regional bodies based on the general
13 location of major aquifer systems and water sources of the state and composed of
14 local stakeholders who are representative of current users. Such bodies may gather
15 data and provide local input to the commission and the commissioner.

16 (b) No person shall be eligible to serve as a member of the governing body
17 of regional body provided for in this Paragraph or any political subdivision created
18 for the purpose of conserving ground water, including those organized by R.S.
19 38:3087.131 et seq. and 3071 et seq., if the person is employed by, has an ownership
20 interest in, or is a consultant of a private entity that produces ground water in the

