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Present law establishes the Oil and Gas Regulatory Fund within the state treasury, with monies credited to the fund to be appropriated by the legislature and dedicated solely to the use of the office of conservation for the regulation of the oil and gas industry and other industries under its jurisdiction.

Proposed law retains present law and dedicates 50% of any annual assessment paid by an operator who chooses not to plug a well classified as inactive into the Oil and Gas Regulatory Fund with the remainder being deposited into the Oilfield Site Restoration Fund.

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

(Amends R.S. 30:21(B)(2)(a); adds R.S. 30:86(D)(7))