SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

2016 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senator Allain to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 165 by Senator Allain

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

- 2 On page 1, line 2, delete "R.S. 30:91(B)(1)" and insert "the introductory paragraph of R.S.
- 3 30:91(A) and (B)(1)"
- 4 <u>AMENDMENT NO. 2</u>
- 5 On page 1, line 4, after "sites;" insert "to provide for orphaned operators of record;"
- 6 AMENDMENT NO. 3
- 7 On page 1, line 7, delete "R.S. 30:91(B)(1) is" and insert "The introductory paragraph of
- 8 R.S. 30:91(A) and (B)(1) are"
- 9 AMENDMENT NO. 4
- On page 1, line 14, delete "to the best of his knowledge"
- 11 AMENDMENT NO. 5
- On page 1, line 15, after "located." insert ""Surface owner" shall mean the person shown
- in the assessor's rolls of the parish as the current owner of the surface rights for the
- 14 land on which the well site is located."
- 15 AMENDMENT NO. 6
- On page 1, delete line 17, and insert the following:
- 17 "§91. Orphaned oilfield sites; orphaned operator of record
 18 A. A site <u>and its operator of record</u> may be declared to be an orphaned
 19 oilfield site by the assistant secretary upon a finding that:

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21 B.(1) Prior to declaring a site **and its operator of record** to be an orphaned 22 oilfield site, the assistant secretary shall seek to notify the last operator of record, at 23 his last known address contained in the department records, of the site that is to be 24 declared orphaned and shall publish a notice in the Louisiana Register that the oilfield site is and the operator of record are to be declared orphaned. 25 Additionally, the assistant secretary shall seek to notify the surface owner of the 26 27 site, at the address provided by the operator pursuant to R.S. 30:28(J), that the 28 site and the operator of record are to be declared orphaned. Failure of the 29 assistant secretary to notify the surface owner of the site shall not invalidate the 30 decision to declare a site and the operator of record orphaned. If resolution of 31 a factual dispute is requested by any owner or operator, the assistant secretary shall hold a fact-finding hearing prior to declaring the site and the operator of record 32 33 orphaned and the assistant secretary shall make any fact determination necessary to

34 resolve the dispute.
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- 36 AMENDMENT NO. 7
- On page 2, delete lines 1 through 12