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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 77

BY SENATOR THOMPSON

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

WATER/WATERWAYS. Extends the sunset of the Lake Providence Watershed Council until December 31, 2018.

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To extend the sunset of the Lake Providence Watershed Council until December 31, 2018.

WHEREAS, Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 115 of the 2015 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature created the Lake Providence Watershed Council; and

WHEREAS, the resolution required the council to "produce a report that will identify, review, and evaluate management strategies to facilitate the goal of improving the aquatic habitat of Lake Providence; to provide recommendations for the optimal management and protection of the resources within the Lake Providence watershed"; and

WHEREAS, the resolution further required "that the report shall be submitted to the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment and the Senate Committee on Environmental Quality no later than May 1, 2016, and that unless the Lake Providence Watershed Council is extended by further action of the Louisiana Legislature, it shall cease to exist December 31, 2016"; and

WHEREAS, the council will not be able to complete its findings by the deadline provided in Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 115 of the 2015 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby extend the reporting deadline of the Lake Providence Watershed Council to report its

findings to the proper legislative committees to May 1, 2018, and extend the sunset on the council until December 31, 2018.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the commissioner of agriculture and forestry, the secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality, the secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals, the secretary of the Department of Natural Resources, the secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, the East Carroll Parish Police Jury, the East Carroll Parish Sheriff, and the mayor of the city of Lake Providence.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Alan Miller.

DIGEST

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