

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

HB 357

2016 Regular Session

Leger

TRANSPORTATION: Provides relative to funds to be utilized for state rail freight service assistance

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Amends rather than repealing present law to allow the use of state funds to provide financial assistance to any private or public person or corporation provided the department submits a report to the House and Senate committees on transportation, highways, and public works prior to application for federal funds.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law authorizes the Dept. of Transportation and Development to provide financial assistance, within the limits of the funds appropriated for this purpose, for the preservation of operations and maintenance of any railroad within the state as provided for in relevant federal law.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that no state funds shall be used for financial assistance to any private or public person or corporation.

Proposed law changes present law to allow use of state funds provided the department submits a report to the House and Senate committees on transportation, highways, and public works prior to application for federal funds.

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

(Amends R.S. 48:388(F))