

2020 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 181

BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER

WATER/RESOURCES: Extends cooperative endeavor agreements for use of surface waters

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 30:961(E), relative to cooperative endeavor agreements for the
3 withdrawal of surface water; to extend the time for entering cooperative endeavor
4 agreements for withdrawal of surface water; to provide for terms, conditions, and
5 requirements; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 30:961(E) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §961. Cooperative endeavor agreements; withdrawal of surface water; intent

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10 E.(1) A cooperative endeavor agreement to withdraw running surface water,
11 or an assignment of such, entered into pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter shall
12 have an initial term not to exceed two years. ~~No new cooperative endeavor~~
13 ~~agreement shall be entered into for which an application was received by the~~
14 ~~department after December 31, 2020; however, except as otherwise provided in this~~
15 ~~Subsection, existing~~ Existing agreements may be renewed in two-year increments
16 but shall terminate no later than December 31, 2028.

17 (2) A person or entity who has entered into a cooperative endeavor
18 agreement to withdraw running surface waters or has obtained an assignment of
19 such, may terminate such agreement after December 31, ~~2020~~ 2022. In order to be

