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HOUSE BILL NO. 584

BY REPRESENTATIVE SMILEY

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

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS: Provides for the abolition of certain boards and commissions

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact 17:17.1(C)(1) and 17.2(B)(1), R.S. 25:1226.4(B)(1), R.S.

3 36:504(A)(9) and 687(B), R.S. 37:2862, 2865(C), 3151(3) and (6), 3153,

4 3154(introductory paragraph), (7), and (9), 3155, 3156, 3157, 3158(C), 3159(C),

5 3160(C), and 3161, R.S. 39:211(D)(introductory paragraph), 213(A) and (C)(2) and

6 (3)(a), 214(D)(1) and (G), 215(B)(introductory paragraph) and (4), and 216, R.S.

7 47:337.22(B) and 337.23(A)(2), (B), (C)(introductory paragraph), (D), (F), (G),

8 (I)(1)(b), and (J), R.S. 48:55, 1093(introductory paragraph), 1101.1(B)(2)(a), and

9 1161, R.S. 49:968(B)(3)(a) and (c), and R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(e) and 1948.4(B) and to

10 repeal Subpart M of Part II of Chapter 4 of Subtitle I of Title 11 of the Louisiana

11 Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 11:301 through 309, R.S. 17:17.3(C)(4)

12 and (5) and (G) and 17.4(C)(1) and (2), R.S. 22:31(1) and 32, Chapter 21 of Title 25

13 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 25:901 and 902,

14 Chapter 23 of Title 25 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S.

15 25:1011 through 1016, R.S. 25:1226.1(7), and 1226.2, Chapter 29 of Title 25 of the

16 Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 25:1251 through 1255,

17 Chapter 33 of Title 25 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S.

18 25:1301 through 1307, and R.S. 25:1321 and 1322, R.S. 28:311 through 313, R.S.

19 29:735.4, R.S. 36:4(B)(1)(o), (S), and (T), 4.1(D)(17), 209(C)(1), (J)(2), (M)(3), (S),

20 and (X), 259(H), 509(M), (S), and (T), 610(B)(8), 686(C)(4), 802.17, and 802.19,

1 R.S. 37:2862(13), 2864, 3151(2), and 3152, Part XXXVI of Chapter 13 of Title 38
2 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 38:3087.191 through
3 3087.205, Part XXIX of Chapter 13 of Title 38 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of
4 1950, comprised of R.S. 38:3087:241 through 3087.255, R.S. 39:212, 213(C)(1), and
5 215(A), Chapter 19 of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised
6 of R.S. 40:2451 through 2455, R.S. 41:1602, Chapter 26 of Title 42 of the Louisiana
7 Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 42:1481 through 1485, Chapter 46 of
8 Title 46 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 46:2611
9 through 2613, R.S. 47:337.22(C) and 337.23(H), R.S. 48:1092.1, R.S. 51:943, R.S.
10 56:331 and 1948.4(A)(2), and Part III-A of Chapter 9 of Title 56 of the Louisiana
11 Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 56:1948.11 through 1948.13, relative
12 to boards, commissions, authorities, districts, and like entities; to provide relative to
13 the functional organization of state government by abolishing certain boards,
14 commissions, authorities, and like entities; to transfer certain powers and
15 responsibilities; to remove references to certain abolished entities; to remove
16 references to, provisions for, and the powers, functions, and duties of the Advisory
17 Committee on Equal Opportunity, the Advisory Committee on Polysomnography,
18 the Archaeological Survey and Antiquities Commission, the Atchafalaya Trace
19 Heritage Area Development Zone Review Board, the Louisiana Byways
20 Commission, the Commission on Public Retirement, the Compensation Review
21 Commission, the Louisiana Council on Obesity Prevention and Management and
22 Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports, the Crab Task Force, the
23 Emergency/Disaster Medicine Review Panel, the Louisiana Governor's Mansion
24 Commission, the Hurricane Katrina Memorial Commission, the Louisiana Wetlands
25 Conservation and Hurricane Protection Tourist Center Commission, the Mississippi
26 River Bridge Authority, the Mississippi River Road Commission, the National
27 Register Review Committee, the Small Business Entrepreneurship Commission, the
28 Solid Waste Management System Operators Board of Certification and Training, the
29 Louisiana Technology Innovations Council, the Uniform Electronic Local Return

1 and Remittance Advisory Committee, the Washington Parish Reservoir District, the
2 West Ouachita Parish Reservoir Commission, and the Youth Enhanced Services
3 Consortium; to provide for transfer of some of the powers, functions, and duties of
4 some of the above referenced entities; to provide for certain technical corrections
5 regarding placement of boards and commissions in the Executive Reorganization
6 Act; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 **Advisory Committee on Equal Opportunity.**

9 Section 1.(A) R.S. 36:687(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

10 §687. Deputy commissioner for minority affairs; functions; division of minority
11 affairs

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13 B. The deputy commissioner for minority affairs shall direct and be
14 responsible for the functions of the division of minority affairs within the
15 Department of Insurance. In such capacity, he shall be responsible for ~~assisting in~~
16 ~~coordinating the activities of the Advisory Committee on Equal Opportunity,~~
17 establishing educational and information services regarding opportunities available
18 in the insurance industry and the skills, training, and education necessary to prepare
19 for such opportunities, assisting minority groups in obtaining employment, agent's
20 or agency contracts and contracts for services with insurance companies, and such
21 additional duties and functions as are assigned by the commissioner.

22 (B) R.S. 22:31(1) and 32 and R.S. 36:686(C)(4) are hereby repealed in their entirety.

23 **Advisory Committee on Polysomnography**

24 Section 2. (A) R.S. 37:2862 and 2865(C) are hereby amended and reenacted to read
25 as follows:

26 §2862. Definitions.

27 The following terms shall have the following meanings, unless otherwise
28 specified:

1 ~~(1) "Advisory Committee on Polysomnography" means the committee~~
2 ~~established in R.S. 37:2864.~~

3 ~~(2)~~ (2) "American Academy of Sleep Medicine", hereinafter "AASM", means
4 the national organization that establishes accreditation standards for sleep centers
5 and sleep labs.

6 ~~(3)~~ (2) "American Board of Sleep Medicine", hereinafter "ABSM", means
7 the national organization developed for the purpose of establishing and maintaining
8 standards of board certification for physicians practicing sleep disorders medicine.

9 ~~(4)~~ (3) "Association of Polysomnographic Technologists", hereinafter
10 "APT", means the national trade association for the promotion and advancement of
11 the interests of polysomnographic technologists and technicians.

12 ~~(5)~~ (4) "Board of Registered Polysomnographic Technologists", hereinafter
13 "BRPT", means the national credentialing agency for polysomnographic
14 technologists, or its successor organization.

15 ~~(6)~~ (5) "Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education
16 Programs", hereinafter "CAAHEP", means the national agency that reviews and
17 accredits educational programs of allied health sciences for the purpose of
18 establishing and maintaining national standards.

19 ~~(7)~~ (6) "Individual-in-training" means an individual who enters the field of
20 polysomnographic technology after January 1, 2006, who must work under the
21 direction and supervision of a registered polysomnographic technologist or the
22 medical director of a sleep center or laboratory and is working towards BRPT
23 registry or completion of a CAAHEP accredited program in polysomnography, or
24 both. This Paragraph shall be null and cease to have effect after January 1, 2011.

25 ~~(8)~~ (7) "Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners" means that
26 organization established in R.S. 37:1263.

27 ~~(9)~~ (8) "Physician" means an individual licensed by the Louisiana State
28 Board of Medical Examiners.

1 ~~(10)~~ (9) "Polysomnography" means the performance of sleep diagnostics
2 under the direction and supervision of a physician to provide comprehensive clinical
3 evaluation.

4 ~~(11)~~ (10) "Polysomnographic technician" or "permit technician" means a
5 registry eligible allied health professional who has completed an accredited
6 CAAHEP educational program in polysomnography.

7 ~~(12)~~ (11) "Polysomnographic technologist" or "technologist" means an allied
8 health professional who is credentialed by the Board of Polysomnographic
9 Technologists to perform both diagnostic and therapeutic polysomnograms under the
10 direction and supervision of a physician.

11 ~~(13)~~ (12) "Polysomnographic technology" means the allied health specialty
12 practiced under the direction and supervision of a physician involving the attended
13 monitoring and testing of individuals suffering from any sleep disorders as classified
14 in the International Classification of Sleep Disorders. Such procedures include but
15 are not limited to the following, conducted only upon written prescription or verbal
16 order of a physician and under his direction and supervision:

17 (a) Application of electrodes and apparatus necessary to monitor and
18 evaluate sleep disturbances, including application of devices which allow a physician
19 to diagnose sleep disorders, which disorders include sleep breathing disorders,
20 movement disorders, disorders of excessive somnolence, and physiologic impotence.

21 (b) Institution of any type of physiologic monitoring applicable to
22 polysomnography.

23 (c) Initiation of treatment changes and testing techniques required for the
24 implementation of polysomnographic protocols under the supervision and direction
25 of a physician.

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27 §2865. Technologist; qualifications for license; renewal; reciprocity

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1 C. A polysomnographic technologist who submits a license renewal
2 application after January, 2006, shall have completed, in the prior twelve months, at
3 least ten hours or units of continuing education courses ~~sanctioned by the Advisory~~
4 ~~Committee on Polysomnography and~~ approved by the Louisiana State Board of
5 Medical Examiners.

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7 (B) R.S. 37:2862(13) and 2864 are hereby repealed in their entirety.

8 **Archaeological Survey and Antiquities Commission.**

9 Section 3. (A) R.S. 48:55 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

10 §55. Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism rules and regulations;
11 applicability

12 Rules and regulations of the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism
13 adopted ~~in pursuance of the aims and purposes of the Louisiana Archaeological~~
14 ~~Survey and Antiquities Commission and the provisions of R.S. 41:1601-R.S.~~
15 ~~41:1613~~ pursuant to R.S. 41:1601 et seq. shall not apply to construction,
16 reconstruction, maintenance, or other projects undertaken by the department unless
17 the secretary, within his discretion, finds the application of such rules and regulations
18 will not cause any undue or expensive delay in the completion of such projects. This
19 Section shall not apply to federal aid projects. Notwithstanding any other provision
20 in the law to the contrary, before any construction, reconstruction, maintenance, or
21 other project is undertaken by the Department of Transportation and Development,
22 the secretary of such department shall notify the ~~Louisiana Archaeological Survey~~
23 ~~and Antiquities Commission~~ state archaeologist of its his intent to let such contract
24 and furnish complete details of such contract to the ~~commission~~ state archaeologist.
25 If, during the construction, reconstruction or maintenance of a project undertaken by
26 the Department of Transportation and Development, any artifact is uncovered or
27 found, the department shall suspend that part of the project and notify the ~~Louisiana~~
28 ~~Archaeological Survey and Antiquities Commission~~ state archaeologist of the find
29 and give ~~the commission~~ him reasonable opportunity to protect such find or artifact.

1 (B) R.S. 49:968(B)(3)(a) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

2 §968. Review of agency rules; fees

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4 B. Prior to the adoption, amendment, or repeal of any rule or the adoption,
5 increasing, or decreasing of any fee, the agency shall submit a report relative to such
6 proposed rule change or fee adoption, increase, or decrease to the appropriate
7 standing committees of the legislature and the presiding officers of the respective
8 houses as provided in this Section. The report shall be so submitted on the same day
9 the notice of the intended action is submitted to the Louisiana Register for
10 publication in accordance with R.S. 49:953(A)(1). The report shall be submitted to
11 each standing committee at the committee's office in the state capitol by certified
12 mail with return receipt requested or by messenger who shall provide a receipt for
13 signature. The return receipt or the messenger's receipt shall be proof of receipt of
14 the report by the committee.

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16 (3) The Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism and all of the
17 agencies made a part of it, except as otherwise provided in this Paragraph, shall
18 submit the report to the House Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural
19 Affairs and the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and
20 International Affairs.

21 (a) The office of the state library, the office of the state museum, the State
22 Board of Library Examiners, ~~the Louisiana Archaeological Survey and Antiquities~~
23 ~~Commission~~, the Board of Directors of the Louisiana State Museum, the Board of
24 Commissioners of the State Library of Louisiana, the Louisiana State Arts Council,
25 ~~the Louisiana State Capitol Fiftieth Anniversary Commission~~, and the Louisiana
26 National Register Review Committee shall submit the report to the House
27 Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs and the Senate Committee
28 on Education.

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1 (C) R.S. 36:209(C)(1) and R.S. 41:1602 are hereby repealed in their entirety.

2 **Atchafalaya Trace Heritage Area Development Zone Review Board**

3 Section 4. (A) R.S. 25:1226.4(B)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
4 follows:

5 §1226.4. Tax exemptions and credits

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7 B.(1) Applications for contracts of exemption or credit shall be submitted
8 first to the ~~review board~~ commission, which shall evaluate the eligibility of each
9 applicant according to criteria and rules adopted by the commission. The ~~review~~
10 ~~board~~ commission shall recommend to the department those applications it deems
11 eligible to receive tax benefits.

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13 (B) R.S. 25:1226.1(7) and 1226.2 and R.S. 36:209(M)(3) are hereby repealed in their
14 entirety.

15 **Louisiana Byways Commission.**

16 Section 5. (A) R.S. 56:1948.4(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
17 follows:

18 §1948.4. Regional development; legislative committee approval

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20 B. After approval by the ~~Louisiana Byways Commission~~, the Department of
21 Culture, Recreation and Tourism and the Department of Transportation and
22 Development, a proposed byway shall be presented to the House and Senate
23 Committees on Transportation, Highways and Public Works by the recommending
24 agent and shall be approved by a majority of the members of each committee prior
25 to its inclusion in the Louisiana Byway Program.

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27 (B) R.S. 36:209(X) and 802.19, R.S. 56:1948.4(A)(2), and Part III-A of Chapter 9
28 of Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 56:1948.11 through
29 1948.13, are hereby repealed in their entirety.

1 **Commission on Public Retirement**

2 Section 6. Subpart M of Part II of Chapter 4 of Subtitle I of Title 11 of the Louisiana
3 Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 11:301-309, is hereby repealed in its entirety.

4 **Compensation Review Commission**

5 Section 7. Chapter 26 of Title 42 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950,
6 comprised of R.S. 42:1481 through 1485, is hereby repealed in its entirety.

7 **Louisiana Council on Obesity Prevention and Management and Governor's Council**
8 **on Physical Fitness and Sports.**

9 Section 8. (A) R.S. 17:17.1(C)(1) and 17.2(B)(1) are hereby amended and reenacted
10 to read as follows:

11 §17.1. Required physical activity in schools

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13 C.(1) An outreach and communication plan consisting of current information
14 and research on health, nutrition, and physical education and fitness issues shall be
15 developed pursuant to the collaborative efforts of the Department of Health and
16 Hospitals; Department of Education; Louisiana State University Health Sciences
17 Center, Pennington Biomedical Research Center; ~~Governor's Council on Physical~~
18 ~~Fitness and Sports; Louisiana Council on Obesity, Prevention and Management;~~
19 Louisiana Association of Physical Education, Recreation and Dance; and the
20 American Heart Association.

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22 §17.2. Physical activity; awards for model programs

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24 B.(1) The State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education, in
25 collaboration with the Department of Education and the Department of Health and
26 ~~Hospitals; and the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports;~~ shall establish
27 a selection process for naming the outstanding schools, which shall include regional
28 selection committees appointed by the collaborative efforts of the agencies named
29 in this Subsection.

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2 (B) R.S. 17:17.3(C)(4) and (5) and (G) and 17.4(C)(1) and (2), R.S. 36:259(H),
3 Chapter 19 of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 40:2451
4 through 2455, and Chapter 46 of Title 46 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950,
5 comprised of R.S. 46:2611 through 2613, are hereby repealed in their entirety.

6 **Crab Task Force.**

7 Section 9. (A) R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(e) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
8 follows:

9 §10. Annual report to governor; estimate of proposed expenditures; particular funds;
10 warrants; vouchers; surplus funds

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12 B.(1) Subject to the exception contained in Article VII, Section 9(A) of the
13 Constitution of Louisiana, all funds collected by the commission from every source
14 shall be paid into the state treasury and shall be credited to the Bond Security and
15 Redemption Fund. Out of the funds remaining in the Bond Security and Redemption
16 Fund after a sufficient amount is allocated from that fund to pay all obligations
17 secured by the full faith and credit of the state which become due and payable within
18 any fiscal year, the treasurer shall, prior to placing such remaining funds in the state
19 general fund, conform to the following:

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21 (e) Pay annually into the Seafood Promotion and Marketing Fund, into a
22 special account titled the "Crab Promotion and Marketing Account", an amount
23 equal to the fees specified for deposit in R.S. 56:305(B)(2) and (C)(1), 306(B)(6),
24 and 306.1(B)(7). All expenditures and allocations of funds from this account shall
25 be administered ~~jointly~~ by the Louisiana Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board
26 ~~and the Crab Task Force.~~

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28 (B) R.S. 36:610(B)(8) and R.S. 56:331 are hereby repealed in their entirety.

29 **Emergency/Disaster Medicine Review Panel**

1 Section 10. R.S. 29:735.4 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

2 **Louisiana Governor's Mansion Commission**

3 Section 11. Chapter 23 of Title 25 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950,
4 comprised of R.S. 25:1011 through 1016, and R.S. 36:4(T) are hereby repealed in their
5 entirety.

6 **Hurricane Katrina Memorial Commission**

7 Section 12. Chapter 33 of Title 25 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950,
8 comprised of R.S. 25:1301 through 1307, and R.S. 36:4(B)(1)(o) are hereby repealed in their
9 entirety.

10 **Louisiana Wetlands Conservation and Hurricane Protection Tourist Center**
11 **Commission**

12 Section 13. R.S. 25:1321 and 1322 are hereby repealed in their entirety.

13 **Mississippi River Bridge Authority.**

14 Section 14. (A) R.S. 48:1093(introductory paragraph), 1101.1(B)(2)(a), and 1161
15 are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

16 §1093. General purposes and powers

17 Every authority incorporated under this Part shall be for the purpose of
18 constructing or acquiring toll bridges and ferries to improve and extend the highway
19 system of the State of Louisiana and, subject to the consent of the affected local
20 governmental bodies, shall also be authorized to construct or acquire transit systems,
21 terminals and, in the case of the ~~Mississippi River Bridge Authority~~ crescent city
22 connection division of the Department of Transportation and Development, such
23 parking facilities as may be required on the west bank of the Mississippi River within
24 its jurisdiction in connection with its toll bridges and ferries so as to supplement and
25 augment the effectiveness of its bridges and ferries and better provide for the mass
26 movement of people; provided, however, that no such authority shall construct a
27 transit system, in competition with an existing transit system, nor shall any such
28 authority expropriate any portion of an existing transit system unless the entire
29 system is purchased. It is further provided that no State Department of Highways

1 Long Range Highway Fund monies shall be pledged or used to finance any such
2 transit systems and terminals or parking facilities. Every such authority is hereby
3 granted and shall have and may exercise all powers necessary or convenient for the
4 carrying out of said purposes, including, but without limiting the generality of the
5 foregoing, the following rights and powers:

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7 §1101.1. Crescent City Connection police

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9 B.

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11 (2)(a) Crescent City Connection police shall have, under the direction and
12 control of the secretary, the same powers to make arrests and the power to execute
13 and return all warrants and processes as sheriffs of the parishes of Jefferson and St.
14 Bernard and police officers of the city of New Orleans and the cities of Gretna and
15 Westwego in and upon the ~~Mississippi River Bridge Authority's~~ Department of
16 Transportation and Development's property occupied by the Crescent City
17 Connection, the Huey P. Long Bridge, the Westbank Expressway, and the ferries and
18 the public ways contiguous thereto. Such police officers, under the same direction
19 and control of the secretary, shall have all other powers of sheriffs of the parishes of
20 Jefferson and St. Bernard and police officers of the city of New Orleans and the
21 cities of Gretna and Westwego as peace officers, in all places and on all premises
22 under the jurisdiction and control of the Crescent City Connection, the Huey P. Long
23 Bridge, the Westbank Expressway, and the ferries and the public ways contiguous
24 thereto.

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26 §1161. Abolition of bridge and ferry authorities; merger and consolidation of bridge
27 and ferry functions in board of highways

28 In order to merge and consolidate into one department the duties and
29 functions that are of a similar nature or character, under authority of Section 32 of

1 Article III of the Constitution of Louisiana, the Ascension-St. James Bridge and
 2 Ferry Authority, the Iberville Parish Bridge and Ferry Authority, the Pointe Coupee-
 3 West Feliciana Bridge and Ferry Authority, and the St. Charles-St. John the Baptist
 4 Bridge and Ferry Authority are hereby abolished, effective January 1, 1973, and all
 5 of the powers, duties, functions, immunities, restrictions and exemptions from
 6 taxation under any laws, and particularly under the effective provisions of Act 7 of
 7 1952, Act 526 of 1958, Act 555 of 1966, Act 413 of 1962, Act 413 of 1966, Act 269
 8 of 1968, Act 290 of 1968, Act 57 of 1969 and R.S. 48:1151-1158 are transferred to
 9 the State Board of Highways and Department of Highways, effective January 1,
 10 1973, and after said date the board of highways shall have and exercise all of the
 11 executive and administrative functions provided for by the constitution or laws with
 12 respect to the authorities herein abolished and with respect to the officers and
 13 members of such authorities. ~~However, nothing herein shall be construed as~~
 14 ~~abolishing or affecting the operation of the Mississippi River Bridge Authority which~~
 15 ~~is hereby specifically continued in operation.~~

16 (B) R.S. 36:504(A)(9) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

17 §504. Powers and duties of secretary of transportation and development

18 A. In addition to the functions, powers, and duties otherwise vested in the
 19 secretary by law, he shall:

20 * * *

21 (9) Have absolute control over the ~~Mississippi River Bridge Authority~~
 22 ~~including but not limited to those responsibilities provided in R.S. 48:1101.1~~
 23 Crescent City Connection.

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25 (C) R.S. 36:509(M) and R.S. 48:1092.1 are hereby repealed in their entirety.

26 **Mississippi River Road Commission.**

27 Section 15. (A) R.S. 49:968(B)(3)(c) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
 28 follows:

29 §968. Review of agency rules; fees

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B. Prior to the adoption, amendment, or repeal of any rule or the adoption, increasing, or decreasing of any fee, the agency shall submit a report relative to such proposed rule change or fee adoption, increase, or decrease to the appropriate standing committees of the legislature and the presiding officers of the respective houses as provided in this Section. The report shall be so submitted on the same day the notice of the intended action is submitted to the Louisiana Register for publication in accordance with R.S. 49:953(A)(1). The report shall be submitted to each standing committee at the committee's office in the state capitol by certified mail with return receipt requested or by messenger who shall provide a receipt for signature. The return receipt or the messenger's receipt shall be proof of receipt of the report by the committee.

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(3) The Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism and all of the agencies made a part of it, except as otherwise provided in this Paragraph, shall submit the report to the House Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs and the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs.

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(c) The office of tourism and promotion and the Louisiana Tourist Development Commission, ~~and the Mississippi River Road Commission~~ shall submit the report to the House Committee on Commerce and the Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and International Affairs.

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(B) Chapter 29 of Title 25 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 25:1251 through 1255, and R.S. 36:209(S) and 802.17 are hereby repealed in their entirety.

National Register Review Committee

1 Section 16. Chapter 21 of Title 25 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950,
2 comprised of R.S. 25:901 and 902, and R.S. 36:209(J)(2) are hereby repealed in their
3 entirety.

4 **Small Business Entrepreneurship Commission**

5 Section 17. R.S. 51:943 and R.S. 36:4.1(D)(17) are hereby repealed in their entirety.

6 **Solid Waste Management System Operators Board of Certification and Training.**

7 Section 18. (A) R.S. 37:3151(3) and (6), 3153, 3154(introductory paragraph), (7),
8 and (9), 3155, 3156, 3157, 3158(C), 3159(C), 3160(C), and 3161 are hereby amended and
9 reenacted to read as follows:

10 §3151. Definitions

11 As used in this Chapter, the following words shall have the meaning ascribed
12 to them in this Section unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

13 * * *

14 (3) "Certificate" means the document or documents issued by the ~~board~~
15 secretary which attest to the competency of the operator.

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17 (6) "Classify" means the process and act of the ~~board~~ secretary that
18 designates a specific type of solid waste management system which is required to
19 employ certified operators.

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21 §3153. Examinations

22 ~~The board shall hold not fewer than four examinations per year for the two~~
23 ~~years following the effective date of this Chapter for the purpose of examining~~
24 ~~candidates for certification. After the initial two-year period, the board~~ The secretary
25 shall hold not fewer than two examinations per year.

26 §3154. ~~Board of Certification and Training~~ training; secretary's powers and duties;
27 certificates; revocation and suspension

28 The ~~Board of Certification and Training~~ secretary shall have the following
29 powers and duties:

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2 (7) To recertify operators based upon the submission of satisfactory evidence
3 of continuing training meeting the requirements and standards established ~~by the~~
4 ~~board pursuant to this Chapter.~~

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6 (9) To immediately suspend, upon submission of evidence of probable cause
7 sufficient for revocation of certification, an operator's certificate if such action is
8 deemed necessary to protect the public health or the environment. Any operator
9 whose certificate is so suspended shall be granted a hearing ~~before the board~~ within
10 thirty days of such suspension. Any operator whose certificate has been revoked ~~by~~
11 ~~the board~~ may appeal in accordance with the Louisiana Administrative Procedure
12 Act.

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14 §3155. Classification of facilities

15 A. ~~Within one hundred twenty days of effective date of this Chapter, the~~
16 ~~board~~ The secretary shall classify and list all nonhazardous solid waste disposal
17 facilities which accommodate residential and commercial solid waste. The list shall
18 include sanitary landfills, open dumps, and land farming operations. ~~Thereafter, the~~
19 ~~board~~ The secretary may classify and list other solid waste management facilities
20 including, but not limited to incinerators and transfer stations. Every classified
21 facility shall have one or more certified operators as prescribed by this Chapter and
22 the rules and regulations promulgated under its provisions.

23 B. From time to time additional solid waste management facilities may be
24 classified by the ~~board~~ secretary, and ~~it~~ he may require that these facilities be
25 operated by certified operators. The ~~board~~ secretary shall establish such times for
26 certification.

27 §3156. Violations; operation without certification

28 A. ~~On or after four years following the effective date of this Chapter, it~~
29 shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to operate a solid waste

1 disposal facility which has been classified ~~by the board~~ unless the ~~board~~ secretary
2 duly certifies the competency of the operator under the provisions of this Chapter.
3 Furthermore, it shall be unlawful for any person to perform the duties of an operator,
4 as defined herein, without being duly certified under the provisions of this Chapter.

5 B. Certificates shall be prominently displayed at the ~~operators~~ operator's
6 facility. Failure to do so shall be a violation of this Chapter.

7 §3157. Operator training

8 ~~During the four years following the effective date of this Chapter, the board~~
9 The secretary shall provide or establish what the appropriate training will be for all
10 individuals who are required to obtain certification under the provisions of this
11 Chapter. The ~~board~~ secretary shall define, promote, and provide continuing training
12 as required for recertification. If continuing training is not reasonably available
13 within the state of Louisiana, the requirement to obtain training may be waived, on
14 a case by case basis.

15 §3158. Required training for certified operators

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17 C. Such training required must meet the standards and requirements as
18 ~~approved by the board~~ established pursuant to this Chapter.

19 §3159. Classes of certificates; terms and renewals

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21 C. Certification shall continue in effect as long as renewal fees are paid,
22 continuing training requirements are met, and the certificate is not suspended or
23 revoked ~~by the board~~.

24 §3160. Certification of present practitioners

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26 C. Any person appointed to replace or succeed a regularly certified operator
27 after the effective date of this Chapter may be issued a conditional certificate upon
28 application to the ~~board~~ secretary and payment of the same fees as specified for
29 regular certificates. The terms of a conditional certificate shall not exceed one year.

1 Within one year of the date of receipt of the conditional certificate the person must
2 pass the examination for a regular certificate. If the examination is passed, the
3 person may be issued an additional conditional certificate, prior to meeting other
4 requirements for a regular certificate.

5 §3161. Qualification by reciprocity

6 The ~~board~~ secretary may issue a certificate without examination in a
7 comparable operator classification to any person who holds a certificate in any state,
8 territory, or possession of the United States or any country, provided the
9 requirements for certification of operators under which the person's certificate was
10 issued do not conflict with the provisions of this Chapter, are of a standard not lower
11 than that specified by regulations adopted under this Chapter, and reciprocal
12 privileges are granted by said state, territory, or possession to certified operators of
13 this state.

14 (B) R.S. 37:3151(2) and 3152 are hereby repealed in their entirety.

15 **Louisiana Technology Innovations Council.**

16 Section 19. (A) R.S. 39:211(D)(introductory paragraph), 213(A) and (C)(2) and
17 (3)(a), 214(D)(1) and (G), 215(B)(introductory paragraph) and (4), and 216 are hereby
18 amended and reenacted to read as follows:

19 §211. Louisiana Technology Innovations Fund

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21 D. In accordance with guidelines established by the ~~Louisiana Technology~~
22 ~~Innovations Council~~ commissioner of administration, the monies in the fund shall
23 be appropriated only for the following:

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25 §213. Application and award

26 A. The commissioner of administration shall establish and maintain an
27 application process for requests for proposed project funding from the fund
28 according to the following:

1 (1)(a) ~~No later than September 1, 1997, the council~~ The commissioner shall
2 establish guidelines for application and a standard proposal form and submit the
3 guidelines and form to the office of planning and budget.

4 (b) No later than September first of each year, the ~~council~~ commissioner
5 shall review and revise, if necessary, the guidelines and the standard proposal form
6 and submit any revisions to the office of planning and budget.

7 (2) No later than September twentieth of each year, the office of planning
8 and budget shall transmit the most recently approved guidelines for application and
9 standard proposal form to each budget unit.

10 (3)(a) Following the distribution of approved guidelines, the head of a
11 budget unit may submit a request for proposed project funding to the ~~council~~
12 commissioner.

13 (b) At the same time a request is submitted to the ~~council~~ commissioner, the
14 head of the budget unit shall submit a copy of its request to the Joint Legislative
15 Committee on the Budget and to the office of planning and budget and the
16 Legislative Fiscal Office.

17 (c) Such request shall be made using the standard proposal form and shall
18 comply with the guidelines for application.

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22 (2) The ~~council~~ commissioner shall review all requests for proposed project
23 funding and shall determine whether or not the proposed project should be funded.
24 The ~~council~~ commissioner may rank ~~its~~ his recommendations in priority order.

25 (3)(a) To the extent of appropriation of available monies in the fund, the
26 ~~council~~ commissioner shall make awards for proposed projects in the order of
27 established priority.

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29 §214. Agency contracts; request for proposals

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D.(1) Award shall be made to the responsible offerer whose proposal is determined in writing by the ~~council~~ commissioner to be the most advantageous to the state, taking into consideration the recommendations by the head of the agency as to his review of price and the evaluation factors set forth in the request for proposals.

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G.(1) Upon entering into a contract, the using agency shall have full responsibility for the diligent administration and monitoring of the contract. The ~~council~~ commissioner may require the using agency to report at any time on the status of any such outstanding contracts to which the using agency is a party. After completion of performance under a contract, the using agency shall evaluate contract performance and the utility of the final product. This evaluation shall be delivered to the ~~council~~ commissioner within one hundred twenty days after completion of performance.

(2)(a) No contract shall be valid, nor shall the state be bound by the contract, until it has first been executed by the head of the using agency, or his designee, which is a party to the contract and the contractor, and has been approved in writing by the ~~council~~ commissioner.

(b) In cases where the head of the using agency wants to delegate authority to one or more of his subordinates to sign contracts on behalf of the agency, this delegation shall be made in accordance with regulations of the ~~council~~ commissioner and shall be subject to the approval of the ~~council~~ commissioner.

§215. Staff assistance; reports

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B. The ~~council~~ commissioner shall submit a report to the legislature no later than March thirtieth of each year. The report shall include the following:

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1 (4) An indication as to whether or not the ~~council~~ commissioner chose to
2 fund the proposed project and if appropriate, its priority ranking.

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4 §216. Promulgation of rules

5 In accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, the ~~council~~
6 commissioner may promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary to
7 carry out its duties and functions as specified in the Part.

8 (B) R.S. 36:4(S) and R.S. 39:212, 213(C)(1), and 215(A) are hereby repealed in their
9 entirety.

10 **Uniform Electronic Local Return and Remittance Advisory Committee**

11 Section 20. (A) R.S. 47:337.22(B) and 337.23(A)(2), (B), (C)(introductory
12 paragraph), (D), (F), (G), (I)(1)(b), and (J) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as
13 follows:

14 §337.22. Sales and use tax returns

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16 B. ~~Until the time provided for in Subsection C of this Section, the~~ The local
17 collector shall be responsible for the design, preparation, and printing of the return.

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19 §337.23. Uniform electronic local return and remittance system; official record of
20 tax rates, and exemptions

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23 (2) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, ~~beginning on the date~~
24 ~~provided for in Subsection H of this Section, but~~ no later than January 1, 2005, a
25 taxpayer may file a sales and use tax return of a taxing authority and remit any tax,
26 interest, penalty, or other charge due by means of the uniform electronic local return
27 and remittance system provided for in this Section unless insufficient funds are
28 appropriated to fund the system as provided for in Subsection J of this Section.

1 B.~~(1)~~ The system by which such taxpayers file electronically and pay their
2 taxes and by which the information provided for in Subsection I is to be posted on
3 the internet shall be established, managed, and supervised by the secretary of the
4 Department of Revenue. ~~The Uniform Electronic Local Return and Remittance~~
5 ~~Advisory Committee shall provide advice and may make enforceable~~
6 ~~recommendations to the secretary for his consideration with regard to the design,~~
7 ~~implementation, and operation of the system in the manner provided for by this~~
8 ~~Section. The advisory committee is hereby created within the Department of~~
9 ~~Revenue and shall be composed of the following members:~~

10 ~~(a) The secretary of the Department of Revenue or his designee.~~

11 ~~(b) A representative of a local governmental subdivision who shall be~~
12 ~~appointed by the governor from a list of three names, one provided to him by the~~
13 ~~Louisiana Municipal Association, one by the Police Jury Association of Louisiana,~~
14 ~~and one by the Louisiana School Board Association. The member shall serve at the~~
15 ~~pleasure of the governor. He shall serve as chair of the advisory committee.~~

16 ~~(c) A member appointed by the governor from a list of three names provided~~
17 ~~to him by the Louisiana Society of Certified Public Accountants, to serve at the~~
18 ~~pleasure of the governor.~~

19 ~~(d) The head of a collector's office, appointed by the governor from a list of~~
20 ~~three names provided to him by the board of directors of the Louisiana Association~~
21 ~~of Tax Administrators, to serve at the pleasure of the governor.~~

22 ~~(e) A representative of a business which is required to file sales and use tax~~
23 ~~returns for multiple collectors in the state, who shall be appointed by the governor~~
24 ~~from a list of three names provided to him jointly by the Louisiana Retail Dealers~~
25 ~~Association and the Louisiana Association of Business and Industry. The member~~
26 ~~shall serve at the pleasure of the governor.~~

27 ~~(2) Each appointment by the governor shall be submitted to the Senate for~~
28 ~~confirmation. All vacancies shall be filled in the same manner that is provided for~~
29 ~~the original member.~~

1 ~~(3) The members of the advisory committee shall serve without additional~~
2 ~~compensation except for their reasonable and necessary expenses related to the~~
3 ~~performance of their duties as members of the committee, and then only in such~~
4 ~~amounts as is provided by law for state employees.~~

5 ~~(4) Meetings shall be called by the chair at a time and place to be selected~~
6 ~~by the chair, or at a time and place provided for upon the written request of three~~
7 ~~members. Four members of the advisory committee shall be considered a quorum~~
8 ~~and the committee may make official recommendations and take other official action~~
9 ~~upon the affirmative vote of four members.~~

10 ~~(5)(a) If at any time the advisory committee believes the secretary has taken~~
11 ~~action contrary to the advice or recommendation of the committee, it may make a~~
12 ~~written request to the secretary specifying the advice or recommendation, the action~~
13 ~~which the committee believes the secretary has taken, and asking him to provide~~
14 ~~written reasons for such action. The secretary shall provide a written answer to the~~
15 ~~chairman of the committee within fifteen days or such longer time as the committee~~
16 ~~shall allow.~~

17 ~~(b) If, after receiving and considering the written answer of the secretary, the~~
18 ~~committee believes it unsatisfactory, the committee may make a written request to~~
19 ~~the Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs and the House Committee on~~
20 ~~Ways and Means specifying the recommendation and asking the committees to make~~
21 ~~it an enforceable recommendation.~~

22 ~~(c)(i) The request of the advisory committee shall be considered as a~~
23 ~~proposed rule or regulation of the Department of Revenue and shall be subjected to~~
24 ~~the same oversight procedure as is set forth in the Administrative Procedure Act for~~
25 ~~such rules and regulations, except for the need for publication.~~

26 ~~(ii) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, if the oversight procedure~~
27 ~~under the Administrative Procedure Act results in approval of the advisory~~
28 ~~committee's request to make its recommendation an enforceable recommendation,~~
29 ~~then the advisory committee's recommendation shall be followed by the secretary.~~

1 C. The uniform electronic local return and remittance system and the posting
2 of the information required by Subsection I of this Section shall be established,
3 managed, and supervised by the secretary, ~~with the advice of the advisory committee~~
4 and the system shall include the following:

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6 D.(1) Each collector shall provide to the secretary ~~and the advisory~~
7 ~~committee~~ within ninety days of ~~its~~ his written request, or such other time as may be
8 allowed by the ~~advisory committee~~ secretary, the information necessary to design
9 and implement the system provided for in this Section. Each collector shall follow
10 the data validation procedures established by the ~~advisory committee~~ secretary. If
11 the collector fails or refuses to timely provide such information, the secretary ~~and the~~
12 ~~advisory committee~~ shall design and implement the system from the best information
13 available to them.

14 (2) Each collector shall provide written notification to the secretary ~~and the~~
15 ~~advisory committee~~ by certified mail, return receipt requested, of any change in the
16 information provided to it pursuant to Subparagraph (C)(1)(a) of this Section thirty
17 days prior to such changes becoming effective, or such other shorter time as may be
18 allowed by the ~~advisory committee~~ secretary. Each collector shall follow the data
19 validation procedures established by the ~~advisory committee~~ secretary.

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21 F.(1) It shall be the duty of the state through the Department of Revenue;
22 ~~with the advice of the advisory committee~~; to design, implement, and operate the
23 system required by this Section and to provide the staff and equipment necessary to
24 receive and transmit to the collectors the electronic returns and funds.

25 (2)(a) It shall be the duty of the collector of each parish to provide and make
26 available the appropriate staff, equipment, and information necessary for the receipt
27 and transmission of electronic returns and funds. The Department of Revenue shall
28 not be responsible for any loss of revenue attributable to the failure of a collector to
29 comply with the provisions of this Paragraph.

1 (b) The ~~advisory committee~~ secretary may determine alternate distribution
2 methods and the appropriate fees to be charged for such methods when a collector
3 fails to comply with the provisions of this Paragraph. The amount of the fee shall
4 not exceed the cost of the alternate distribution method.

5 G.(1) It is the intention of this Section only to provide to taxpayers a simple,
6 efficient, and cost-effective means of transmitting accurate tax returns and taxes to
7 taxing authorities of the state from a central site in the quickest manner possible.
8 This Section shall not be construed to grant to ~~the advisory committee~~ or the
9 Department of Revenue any authority to collect or administer such taxes. In
10 addition, any funds transmitted through the system as provided for in this Section
11 shall be considered the funds of the taxing authorities to be distributed by the
12 collector in the manner provided by local ordinances and shall not in any way be
13 considered state funds.

14 (2) The ~~advisory committee~~ secretary shall provide a method for all
15 questions related to the application and interpretation of the sales and use tax law of
16 a particular taxing authority received by the ~~committee~~ or the Department of
17 Revenue to be forwarded to the appropriate collector for response.

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21 (b) The secretary ~~and the advisory committee~~ shall be notified of any
22 changes in such information as provided for in Subsection D of this Section. Each
23 collector shall follow the data validation procedures established by the ~~advisory~~
24 ~~committee~~ secretary.

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26 J. If the secretary of the Department of Revenue and the commissioner of
27 administration certify ~~to the advisory committee~~ that there was not a separate line
28 item in the general appropriations bill appropriating funds to the Department of
29 Revenue for the design, implementation, and operation of the system provided for

1 in this Section for the fiscal year, or that insufficient funds were appropriated in such
 2 line item, then such electronic filing and remittance shall not be available to
 3 taxpayers from the first of the month following such certification and the secretary
 4 may take such steps as he deems necessary to prevent access to the system until the
 5 secretary and the commissioner certify that such funds have been appropriated in a
 6 separate line item.

7 (B) R.S. 47:337.22(C) and 337.23(H) are hereby repealed in their entirety.

8 **Washington Parish Reservoir District**

9 Section 21. R.S. 36:509(S) and Part XXXVI of Chapter 13 of Title 38 of the
 10 Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 38:3087.191 through 3087.205, is
 11 hereby repealed in its entirety.

12 **West Ouachita Parish Reservoir Commission**

13 Section 22. R.S. 36:509(T) and Part XXIX of Chapter 13 of Title 38 of the Louisiana
 14 Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 38:3087:241 through 3087.255, is hereby
 15 repealed in its entirety.

16 **Youth Enhanced Services Consortium**

17 Section 23. R.S. 28:311 through 313 are hereby repealed in their entirety.

DIGEST

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HB No. 584

Abstract: Provides for the abolition of certain boards, commissions, authorities, and like entities; in some cases also abolishes the functions and responsibilities of the entity; in other cases provides that some other person or entity is responsible for the functions and responsibilities of the abolished entity.

Proposed law provides for the abolition of certain boards, commissions, political subdivisions, authorities, and like entities; in some cases also abolishes the functions and responsibilities of the entity; in other cases provides that some other person or entity is responsible for the functions and responsibilities of the abolished entity, all as follows:

Advisory Committee on Equal Opportunity: Present law creates the committee to assist the commissioner of insurance and the division of minority affairs in establishing educational and informational services to foster a greater awareness of the opportunities available in the insurance industry and of the skills, training, and education necessary to prepare for opportunities in employment, appointment as

agents, and contracting for services with insurance companies transacting business in La. Proposed law abolishes the committee and its functions.

Advisory Committee on Polysomnography: Present law creates the committee to advise the State Board of Medical Examiners relative to the practice of polysomnography (the performance of sleep diagnostics under the direction and supervision of a physician). Proposed law abolishes the committee and its functions.

Archaeological Survey and Antiquities Commission: Present law creates the commission to promote the goals and objectives of the Dept. of Culture, Recreation and Tourism and to act in an advisory capacity to that department and its secretary in their administration of present law relative to protecting and preserving prehistoric and historic properties, artifacts, treasure troves, and objects of antiquity which have historical value or which are of interest to the public, and in other matters relating to antiquities, archaeology, and other cultural resources. Proposed law abolishes the commission and its functions.

Atchafalaya Trace Heritage Area Development Zone Review Board: Present law creates the board to evaluate applications made by heritage-based cottage industry located in the Atchafalaya Trace Heritage Area Development Zone for tax exemptions or credits and to make recommendations for approval by the State Bd. of Commerce and Industry for applicants it deems eligible and beneficial to the zone's development. Proposed law abolishes the board and its functions.

Louisiana Byways Commission: Present law creates the commission to preserve, enhance, and promote special roads within the Louisiana Byways Program that offer historical, cultural, scenic, natural, archeological, recreation, and economic resources for the state. Proposed law abolishes the commission and its functions.

Commission on Public Retirement: Present law creates the commission to study and make recommendations concerning the administration, benefits, investments, funding, efficiency, and accountability of the state and statewide public retirement systems, plans, or funds and to advise House and Senate committees on retirement of findings and recommendations. Proposed law abolishes the commission and its functions.

Compensation Review Commission: Present law creates the commission to make a study of the salaries, expenses, reimbursements, and other forms of compensation and benefits of statewide elected officials and members of the legislature and establishes such salaries subject to legislative approval. Proposed law abolishes the commission and its functions.

Louisiana Council on Obesity Prevention and Management and Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports: Present law creates the council on obesity prevention and provides that its powers and duties include: to advise the secretary of the Dept. of Health and Hospitals and other entities in creating awareness of health risks due to overweight and obesity conditions. Present law creates the council on physical fitness and provides that its powers and duties include: to develop, foster, and coordinate services and programs of physical fitness and sports, to stimulate physical fitness research, to encourage local governments and communities to develop local physical fitness programs and amateur athletic competitions. Proposed law abolishes both councils and their functions and duties.

Crab Task Force: Present law creates the task force to advise the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission on matters pertaining to the management and development of the crab industry in La. Proposed law abolishes the task force and its functions.

Emergency/Disaster Medicine Review Panel: Present law establishes the panel to gauge the conduct of medical personnel with regard to clinical judgment during declared disasters and to provide an independent and objective advisory opinion. Proposed law abolishes the panel and its functions.

Louisiana Governor's Mansion Commission: Present law creates the commission for purposes of protection and enhancement of the governor's mansion and its contents, furnishings, and grounds. Proposed law abolishes the commission and its functions.

Hurricane Katrina Memorial Commission: Present law creates the commission to make recommendations for an appropriate memorial to commemorate those who lost their lives in La. in Hurricane Katrina. Provides that the commission terminated July 1, 2010. Proposed law removes provisions for the board and its functions from the statutes.

Louisiana Wetlands Conservation and Hurricane Protection Tourist Center Commission: Present law creates the commission to promote awareness of wetlands conservation and to collect, preserve, and exhibit documents, archives, and other artifacts that promote wetlands conservation and hurricane protection. Proposed law abolishes the commission and its functions.

Mississippi River Bridge Authority: Present law creates the authority for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, operating, and maintaining the Mississippi River Bridges in New Orleans. Proposed law abolishes the authority and transfers its powers to the crescent city connection division of DOTD.

Mississippi River Road Commission: Present law creates the commission to preserve, enhance, and promote the Mississippi River Road as an historic, cultural, scenic, natural, and economic resource for the state. Proposed law abolishes the commission and its functions.

National Register Review Committee: Present law creates the committee to promote the goals and objectives of the La. Dept. of Culture, Recreation and Tourism and to act in an advisory capacity in matters relating to conservation, preservation and restoration of historic resources. Proposed law abolishes the committee and its functions.

Small Business Entrepreneurship Commission: Present law creates the commission to assess, evaluate, and review programs dealing with small business and entrepreneurship. Proposed law abolishes the commission and its functions.

Solid Waste Management System Operators Board of Certification and Training: Present law establishes the board to establish a program of certification, recertification, and training programs for solid waste facility operators. Proposed law abolishes the board and its functions.

Louisiana Technology Innovations Council: Present law establishes the council for the purpose of establishing policies, procedures, and criteria relative to innovative technological systems and services and their applications to government as well as recommend funding for those proposed projects that meet established requirements. Proposed law abolishes the council and its functions.

Uniform Electronic Local Return and Remittance Advisory Committee: Present law establishes the committee to create a uniform electronic local return form for sales tax remittance. Proposed law abolishes the committee and transfers its authority to the Dept. of Revenue.

Washington Parish Reservoir District: Present law creates the district to create, maintain, and operate a single reservoir in Washington Parish. Proposed law abolishes the district and its functions.

West Ouachita Parish Reservoir Commission: Present law creates the commission to develop wealth and natural resources by the conservation of soil and water for agricultural, recreational, commercial, industrial, and sanitary purposes. Proposed law abolishes the commission and its functions.

Youth Enhanced Services Consortium: Present law creates the consortium for the purpose of preparing and submitting a plan to the Dept. of Health and Hospitals for the provision of mental health services to emotionally disturbed children. Proposed law abolishes the consortium and its functions.

(Amends 17:17.1(C)(1) and 17.2(B)(1), R.S. 25:1226.4(B)(1), R.S. 36:504(A)(9) and 687(B), R.S. 37:2862, 2865(C), 3151(3) and (6), 3153, 3154(intro. para.), (7), and (9), 3155, 3156, 3157, 3158(C), 3159(C), 3160(C), and 3161, R.S. 39:211(D)(intro. para.), 213(A) and (C)(2) and (3)(a), 214(D)(1) and (G), 215(B)(intro. para.) and (4), and 216, R.S. 47:337.22(B) and 337.23(A)(2), (B), (C)(intro. para.), (D), (F), (G), (I)(1)(b), and (J), R.S. 48:55, 1093(intro. para.), 1101.1(B)(2)(a), and 1161, R.S. 49:968(B)(3)(a) and (c), and R.S. 56:10(B)(1)(e) and 1948.4(B); Repeals R.S. 11:301-309, R.S. 17:17.3(C)(4) and (5) and (G) and 17.4(C)(1) and (2), R.S. 22:31(1) and 32, R.S. 25:901, 902, 1011-1016, 1226.1(7), 1226.2, 1251-1255, 1301-1307, 1321, and 1322, R.S. 28:311-313, R.S. 29:735.4, R.S. 36:4(B)(1)(o), (S), and (T), 4.1(D)(17), 209(C)(1), (J)(2), (M)(3), (S), and (X), 259(H), 509(M), (S), and (T), 610(B)(8), 686(C)(4), 802.17, and 802.19, R.S. 37:2862(13), 2864, 3151(2), and 3152, R.S. 38:3087.191-3087.205 and 3087.241-3087.255, R.S. 39:212, 213(C)(1), and 215(A), R.S. 40:2451-2455, R.S. 41:1602, R.S. 42:1481-1485, R.S. 46:2611-2613, R.S. 47:337.22(C) and 337.23(H), R.S. 48:1092.1, R.S. 51:943, and R.S. 56:331, 1948.4(A)(2), and 1948.11-1948.13)