

SENATE BILL NO. 190

BY SENATOR CHABERT

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

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 49:214.5.1(B)(10) and (15) and (C), and to enact R.S. 49:214.5.1(D), relative to the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority Board; to provide for its membership; to provide for qualification of designees; to add members; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 49:214.5.1(B)(10) and (15) and (C) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 49:214.5.1(D) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§214.5.1. Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority Board

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B. The Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority Board shall consist of the following members:

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(10) ~~Seven~~ **Eight** members who shall be appointed by the governor, in consultation with the Police Jury Association of Louisiana and the Association of Levee Boards of Louisiana, from nominations submitted by levee districts located in whole or in part in the coastal area, from legislators who represent districts in whole or in part in the coastal area, and from parish governing authorities located in whole or in part in the coastal area. ~~The appointees shall be residents of the coastal area and shall be appointed on a proportional basis in such a manner as to reflect the population and land area of the parishes located in whole or in part in the coastal area. However, there shall be at least two appointees who reside in the area of the coastal area~~

1 ~~located west of the Atchafalaya River and at least two appointees who reside~~
 2 ~~in the area of the coastal area located east of the Atchafalaya River. There~~
 3 ~~shall be at least one appointee who is a resident from each of the~~
 4 ~~following hydrologic basins established by the Coastal Wetlands~~
 5 ~~Planning, Protection, and Restoration Act, 16 U.S.C. 3951 et seq:~~

- 6 (a) Pontchartrain Basin.
- 7 (b) Breton Sound or Mississippi Delta Basins.
- 8 (c) Baratarian Basin.
- 9 (d) Terrebonne Basin.
- 10 (e) Atchafalaya Basin.
- 11 (f) Mermentau Basin or Teche/Vermilion Basin.
- 12 (g) Calcasieu/Sabine Basin.

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14 (15) The lieutenant governor or his designee who is an employee of the
 15 office of lieutenant governor.

16 C. Any member of the board who represents a political subdivision shall
 17 recuse himself from deliberations and from voting on any matter concerning the
 18 taking of action against that political subdivision for lack of compliance with the
 19 plan.

20 €: D. The executive assistant shall serve as chairman and shall develop
 21 procedures for the operation of the board.

22 Section 2. This Act shall become effective on January 13, 2020.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____