

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 24

BY SENATORS DUPRE AND MORRISH AND REPRESENTATIVES ANDERS, ARNOLD, AUSTIN BADON, BOBBY BADON, BALDONE, BARRAS, BILLIOT, HENRY BURNS, CARTER, CHAMPAGNE, DOVE, FOIL, GISCLAIR, GREENE, HARDY, HARRISON, HAZEL, HINES, HUTTER, SAM JONES, KATZ, LEGER, LIGI, LITTLE, MONTOUCET, MORRELL, MORRIS, PERRY, PETERSON, PONTI, RICHARD, ROBIDEAUX, GARY SMITH, JANE SMITH, PATRICIA SMITH, ST. GERMAIN, TRAHAN, TUCKER AND WOOTON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To approve the annual Coastal Protection Plan for Fiscal Year 2008-2009, as adopted by the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority.

WHEREAS, R.S. 49:213.1 et seq., provides for the creation, duties, and responsibilities of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority ("authority"); and

WHEREAS, the powers and duties of the authority include the development of an annual coastal protection plan for protecting, conserving, and restoring the coastal area through the construction and management of hurricane protection and coastal restoration projects and programs, including privately funded marsh management projects or plans, and addressing those activities requiring a coastal use permit which significantly affect such projects; and

WHEREAS, as required under the provisions of R.S. 49:213.6, the annual coastal protection plan adopted by the authority must be submitted to the House Committee on Natural Resources and the Senate Committee on Natural Resources, and the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works and the Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works, on or before the first day of the regular legislative session of each year; and

WHEREAS, such committees must take action on the annual coastal protection plan, and the legislature may approve or disapprove the annual coastal protection plan by resolution adopted by a majority vote of the members of each house of the legislature; and

WHEREAS, the annual coastal protection plan shall not be effective or implemented unless both houses of the legislature approve the annual plan, or fail to disapprove the annual coastal protection plan by July first; and

WHEREAS, the authority shall implement the annual coastal protection plan if the legislature approves the plan or if the legislature fails to timely disapprove of the plan.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby approve the annual Coastal Protection Plan for Fiscal Year 2008-2009, as adopted by the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the chairman of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES