

2019 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 106

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND

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

FARMING: Provides relative to the Right to Farm Law

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 3:3601(B)(2) and (3), relative to the Right to Farm Law; to
3 include forest and timber land and forest and timber operations in the legislative
4 declaration that agricultural land and operations must be protected; and to provide
5 for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 3:3601(B)(2) and (3) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as
8 follows:

9 §3601. Citation; legislative findings; purpose

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11 B.

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13 (2) The legislature further finds and declares that owners of agricultural land,
14 including forest and timber land, and the public, which depends upon agricultural
15 production, need to be protected from further diminution in value of agricultural land
16 by providing safeguards and by establishing a more reliable remedy for diminution
17 in value of agricultural land caused by governmental entities.

18 (3) The legislature also finds and declares that agricultural operations,
19 including forest and timber operations, and the public, which depends upon
20 agricultural production, need to be protected from any nuisance actions.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Clarifies that growing and harvesting trees are protected under the Right to Farm Law.

Present law provides that owners of agricultural land need to be protected from further diminution of value caused by governmental entities.

Proposed law clarifies that agricultural land includes forest and timber land.

Present law specifies that agricultural operations need to be protected from any nuisance actions.

Proposed law clarifies that agricultural operations include forest and timber operations.

(Amends R.S. 3:3601(B)(2) and (3))