

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 400

BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHEXNAYDER

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 30:551(B) and 703 and to enact R.S. 30:4(P) and 551(C) and  
3 (D), relative to the powers and duties of the commissioner of conservation; to  
4 authorize the commissioner to regulate liquefied natural gas facilities in the state;  
5 and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 30:551(B) and 703 are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.  
8 30:4(P) and 551(C) and (D) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §4. Jurisdiction, duties, and powers of the assistant secretary; rules and regulations

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11 P. The commissioner of conservation has the authority to promulgate rules  
12 and regulations under the Administrative Procedure Act to regulate the location,  
13 construction, operation, and maintenance of a liquefied natural gas facility within the  
14 state.

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16 §551. Regulatory designation

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18 B. Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection A of this Section, the  
19 assistant secretary shall be the authority to regulate ~~all public and private natural gas~~  
20 ~~distribution systems with respect to natural gas pipeline safety, except where~~  
21 ~~prohibited by federal laws~~ persons engaged in the transportation of gas or who own



1           enforce compliance with safety standards with respect to interstate pipeline facilities  
2           or the transportation of hazardous liquids associated with those facilities.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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