

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 84

BY REPRESENTATIVE HAVARD

PUBLIC SFTY/DEPARTMENT: Provides relative to the authorized uses of inmate labor

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 15:832.1(A)(1), relative to work by inmates at penal or
3 correctional facilities; to authorize the use of inmates for certain construction
4 projects at administrative buildings or other facilities that provide management and
5 support services to penal or correctional facilities; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 15:832.1(A)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §832.1. Work by inmates; construction, renovation, custodial, maintenance, or
9 repairs; exemptions

10 A.(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the
11 governor, upon determining that it is appropriate and in furtherance of the
12 rehabilitation and training of inmates, may, by executive order, authorize the use of
13 inmates of a penal or correctional facility owned by the state of Louisiana for
14 necessary labor in connection with a particular capital construction project on the
15 grounds of the facility, when the estimated cost of the project or work, exclusive of
16 labor costs, does not exceed two hundred thousand dollars for any new construction,
17 or when the project involves renovation, maintenance, repair, or remodeling work
18 on the grounds of the facility. Additionally the governor may authorize by executive
19 order the use of inmates to perform custodial services on state grounds and buildings.

20 For purposes of this Section, "penal or correctional facility" shall mean any location

