

New law changes the name of the State Mineral Board to the State Mineral and Energy Board.

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New law changes the name of the Mineral Resources Operation Fund to the Mineral and Energy Operation Fund.

New law changes the use of monies in the Mineral Resources Operation Fund. Removes the requirement that the monies in the fund be appropriated to DNR's office of mineral resources and used only for the administration and operation of such office. Further provides that the monies be appropriated to DNR for the administration and regulation of minerals, ground water and related energy activities.

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(Amends R.S. 17:9(B) and 3367(B), R.S. 30:4(D)(1), (2) and (3), 83(G), 121(A), 123.1(A) and (C), 124, 126(A), 127(A), 127.1(B)(1), 128(A) and (B)(2), 131, 136(A)(1)(b) and (B)(1), (2) and (3), 136.1(A) and (B), 136.3(A) and (D), 137, 139, 141, 143(A), (D)(4), (5), (6), and (F), 144(A) and (B), 148.1, 148.2(A) and (B), 150(C)(1), 153, 154(C), 155, 156, 158, 159, 179.11, 179.12, 186, 187, 188(A) and (B), 208, 209 (intro para), (2) and (4)(b), (d) and (e), 209.1(A) and (B)(1), 212(A), (D)(2) and (3), 213, 214, 215, 216(B) and (C)(4), and 804, R.S. 34:3108(E), 3478(E) and 3498(E), R.S. 36:353, 359(E) and 807, R.S. 39:14(1), R.S. 41:643(A), 1217.1(B), 1732(A) and (B) and 1733, R.S. 42:6.1(A)(6), R.S. 44:18, R.S. 56:30.3(B), 426(C), and 798(A)(1), (2)(b) and (c))