

Regular Session, 2010

SENATE BILL NO. 562

BY SENATOR CHABERT

SECRETARY OF STATE. Provides relative to the South Louisiana Wetlands Discovery Center. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 25:1312(A), 1314, 1315, and 1316, and to repeal R.S.
3 25:1313(B)(3), R.S. 36:744(M) and 801.21, relative to the South Louisiana Wetlands
4 Discovery Center; to remove the center from the Department of State Office; and to
5 provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 25:1312(A), 1314, 1315, and 1316 are hereby amended and
8 reenacted to read as follows:

9 §1312. Creation; domicile; membership

10 A. The South Louisiana Wetlands Discovery Center Commission, hereinafter
11 referred to as "commission," is hereby created ~~within the Department of State~~ **in the**
12 **parish of Terrebonne.**

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14 §1314. Donations and grants

15 The ~~secretary of state~~ **parish governing authority of Terrebonne** and the
16 commission, jointly or separately, may solicit, accept, use, and dispose of any private
17 or public funds in the form of donations of money, grants, property, or personal

1 services from individuals, corporations, and governments to achieve the purposes of
2 this Chapter.

3 §1315. Operating funds; appropriations by the legislature

4 Funds appropriated by the legislature ~~to the Department of State~~ for operation
5 of the South Louisiana Wetlands Discovery Center shall be used solely for that
6 purpose and in accordance with the budget plan developed by the commission.

7 §1316. ~~Secretary of state; rules~~ **Rules** and regulations

8 The ~~secretary of state~~ **commission** shall establish policies, rules, and
9 regulations for the operation of the center in accordance with the Administrative
10 Procedure Act.

11 Section 2. R.S. 25:1313(B)(3), R.S. 36:744(M) and 801.21 are hereby repealed.

12 Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
13 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
14 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
15 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
16 effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Cathy R. Wells.

DIGEST

Chabert (SB 562)

Present law creates in the Dept. of State and provides relative to the South Louisiana Wetlands Discovery Center and its board of commissioners in Terrebonne Parish.

Proposed law retains present law, but removes the center from the Dept. of State.

Present law authorizes the Dept. of State and the South Louisiana Wetlands Discovery Center Commission to jointly or separately solicit and accept funds to achieve the center's purpose.

Proposed law authorizes the governing authority for the parish of Terrebonne and the commission to jointly or separately solicit and accept funds to achieve the center's purpose.

Present law requires the secretary of state to establish policies, rules, and regulations for the operation of the center in accordance with the APA.

Proposed law requires the commission to establish policies, rules, and regulations for the operation of the center in accordance with the APA.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 25:1312(A), 1314, 1315, and 1316; repeals R.S. 25:1313(B)(3), R.S. 36:744(M) and 801.21)