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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Adds the Dept. of Environmental Quality to the membership of the Floodplain Evaluation and Management Commission. Also adds coordinated statewide watershed evaluations as a basis for revisions to the statewide flood information database.

Present law provides that the Floodplain Evaluation and Management Commission (commission) consists of the Dept. of Transportation and Development, the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority, the office of community development, the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, a member from the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works, a member from the Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works, and the secretary of the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries.

Proposed law adds the Dept. of Environmental Quality to the commission.

Present law provides that revisions to the statewide flood information database shall be based upon the most recent distribution of flood hazard areas and flood damages based on, but not limited to: drainage patterns with hydrologic units, floodprone areas as defined by the 100-year flood, current development patterns and population density, major drainage projects constructed within the preceding four years and identification of problem areas which could be improved, and estimates of the economic impact of the loss sustained in the inundated areas.

Proposed law adds coordinated statewide watershed evaluations as a basis for revisions to the statewide flood information database.

(Amends 38:90.2(A); Adds R.S. 38:90.2(B)(6))