

2019 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 316

BY REPRESENTATIVE HOLLIS

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

SEWERAGE: Provides for remote monitoring of certain sewerage facilities

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 30:2078, relative to sewage overflows; to provide for certain compliance  
3 orders issued by the Department of Environmental Quality; to require the installation  
4 of remote monitoring; to provide for rules and regulations; and to provide for related  
5 matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 30:2078 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §2078. Sewage overflows; remote monitoring requirements

9 If the department issues a compliance order for a violation of this Chapter  
10 that resulted in a sewage overflow that was caused or substantially caused from a  
11 failure in the same lift station more than five times in a twelve month period, the  
12 order shall require the installation of remote monitoring equipment. Such an order  
13 shall provide for a reasonable time for the installation of the required remote  
14 monitoring equipment. The provisions of this Section shall be in addition to any  
15 other enforcement actions authorized by this Subtitle. The secretary may adopt and  
16 promulgate rules and regulations in accordance with the Administrative Procedure  
17 Act necessary to implement the provisions of this Section.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Requires the installation of remote monitoring equipment on certain failing sewage lift stations.

Present law grants the secretary of the Dept. of Environmental Quality the duty to prepare and develop a general plan for the protection and control of the waters of the state, including the permitting of sewage treatment facilities.

Proposed law requires the issuance of a compliance order that requires the installation of remote monitoring equipment when the violation of present law resulted in a sewage overflow caused or substantially caused from a failure in the same lift station more than five times in a 12 month period.

Proposed law requires the order provide for a reasonable time for the installation of the required remote monitoring equipment.

Proposed law authorizes the secretary to adopt and promulgate rules and regulations in accordance with the APA necessary to implement the provisions of proposed law.

(Adds R.S. 30:2078)