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Abstract: Creates an exception to the moratorium and facility need review to permit an additional nursing facilities within the South Lafourche Levee District area.

<u>Present law</u> prohibits the La. Dept. of Health from licensing any new nursing facilities or expanding the capacity of any existing nursing facilities except in the following circumstances:

- (1) There is a determination of need for additional nursing facilities by La. Dept. of Health.
- (2) The nursing facility is a replacement facility provided that there is no increase in the existing nursing home beds at the replacement facility.
- (2) The nursing facility is replacing nursing facility beds with adult residential care home beds.
- (3) A nursing facility located in the service area which has less than 93% occupancy that converts a number of licensed beds to an alternative use.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds an exception to both the nursing home moratorium and the determination of need to allow one additional nursing facility to be licensed if it is located within the South Lafourche Levee District area.

(Amends R.S. 40:2116.1(A)(3); Adds R.S. 40:2116.1(A)(4) and (B)(2)(e))