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Abstract: Defines "landowner" within the Geologic Sequestration of Carbon Dioxide Act and provides that surface and pore space owners who are not the owner or operator of a storage facility or transmission pipeline or the generator of carbon dioxide are not liable for the performance of responsibilities established within the act or any claims related to the sequestration of carbon dioxide.

<u>Present law</u> establishes the La. Geologic Sequestration of Carbon Dioxide Act which provides definitions, authority of the commissioner of conservation, and duties and obligations of storage facility owners and operators.

Proposed law adds a definition for "landowner".

<u>Present law</u> authorizes the commissioner to promulgate rules for requiring interested persons to install monitoring equipment on storage facilities and equipment.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes the responsible party for installation of monitoring equipment <u>from</u> interested persons <u>to</u> storage operators.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that landowners who are not also owners or operators of storage facilities or transmission pipelines or generators of carbon dioxide are not responsible for carrying out duties and obligations related to carbon dioxide sequestration and are not liable for any claims related to carbon dioxide sequestration activities.

Directs the La. State Law Institute to alphabetize and renumber the definitions contained in R.S. 30:1103 and to correct any cross-references that may need to be changed as a result of this renumbering.

(Amends R.S. 30:1104(A)(10); Adds R.S. 30:1103(14) and 1109.1)