

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 172

BY REPRESENTATIVE EDMONSTON

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

WATERWAYS: Extends the period for which the Comite River is exempt from certain provisions of the Louisiana Scenic Rivers Act

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 56:1855(M)(2) and (P)(1)(introductory paragraph), relative to
3 the Louisiana Scenic Rivers Act; to extend the date for which permit exceptions are
4 allowed; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 56:1855(M)(2) and (P)(1)(introductory paragraph) are hereby
7 amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §1855. Exceptions

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10 M.

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12 (2) Notwithstanding other provisions of R.S. 56:1853, clearing and snagging,
13 and dredging operations for drainage purposes; in Bayou Manchac shall be permitted
14 by the department in accordance with the requirements and procedures provided for
15 in R.S. 56:1849. However, beginning May 1, 2021, through ~~August 1, 2026~~
16 December 31, 2030, no provision of this Part shall require a permit for a local
17 government to conduct clearing and snagging and dredging operations for drainage
18 purposes in Bayou Manchac.

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