DIGEST

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HB 548 Reengrossed

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Abstract: Dedicates 30% of injection-based revenue received by the state for carbon dioxide sequestration on property owned by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to local governing authorities where the property is located.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the following distribution of funds collected by the office of mineral resources from any contractual agreements for the storage of carbon dioxide on state-owned lands or water bottoms:

- (1) 30% to the Mineral and Energy Operation Fund.
- (2) 30% to parishes included in the agreement. If one or more parishes is included in the agreement, the 30% will be divided based on the amount of land in each parish included in the agreement.
- (3) The remaining funds are deposited into the state general fund.

<u>Present law</u> excludes from the <u>present law</u> distribution all existing constitutional and statutory dedications of funds collected by the office of mineral resources on behalf of a state agency.

<u>Proposed law limits the present law distribution to public lands as defined in present law (R.S. 41:1701) and formerly navigable dried lake beds that remain owned by the state and removes the exclusion for constitutional and statutorily dedicated funds.</u>

<u>Proposed law</u> dedicates 30% of injection-based revenue received by state agencies for carbon dioxide sequestration projects on property owned by state agencies to parishes within the area of review for the storage facility.

<u>Proposed law</u> further provides that any remaining injection-based revenue collected by the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries or the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission must be deposited into the La. Wildlife and Fisheries Conservation Fund.

<u>Proposed law</u> further provides that any remaining injection-based revenue collected by any other state agency must be deposited into the state general fund.

Proposed law provides a definition for "injection-based revenue."

(Amends R.S. 30:149(B)(intro. para.) and (C) and 209.2(B)(intro. para.) and (C) and R.S. 56:765; Adds R.S. 30:149.1 and 209.3)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

- 1. Limit the distribution of revenue required under <u>present law</u> to public lands as defined in <u>present law</u> (R.S. 41:1701) and formerly navigable dried lake beds that remain owned by the state.
- 2. Add new <u>proposed law</u> dedicating 30% of injection-based revenue received by state agencies from carbon dioxide sequestration beneath property owned by state agencies.
- 3. Add a provision requiring the remaining injection-based revenue received by the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries be deposited into the La. Wildlife and Fisheries Conservation Fund.
- 4. Add a provision requiring the remaining injection-based revenue received by all other state agencies be deposited into the state general fund.
- 5. Add a definition of "injection-based revenue".
- 6. Remove a provision of <u>proposed law</u> stating that the use of dedicated revenue under <u>proposed law</u> by parish governing authorities may be restricted to comply with any conditions placed on donations of land to the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries.
- 7. Make technical changes.