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#### HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

2025 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Representative Geymann to Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 244 by Senator Hensgens

# 1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

- 2 Delete Amendments Nos. 18 and 44 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and
- 3 Environment (#3977)
- 4 AMENDMENT NO. 2
- 5 In Amendment No. 4 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
- 6 (#3977), on page 1, delete line 14 in its entirety and insert in lieu thereof "1103(3),"
- 7 AMENDMENT NO. 3
- 8 In Amendment No. 5 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
- 9 (#3977), on page 1, at the end of line 16, change "1107(B)," to "the introductory paragraph
- of 1107(A)(1), (A)(2), (B), (C), and the introductory paragraph of (D)"
- 11 AMENDMENT NO. 4
- 12 In Amendment No. 13 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
- 13 (#3977), on page 2, line 6, after "188," and before "1104(F)," insert "1103(10)"
- 14 <u>AMENDMENT NO. 5</u>
- 15 In Amendment No. 20 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
- 16 (#3977), on page 2, delete line 29 in its entirety and insert "and"
- 17 <u>AMENDMENT NO. 6</u>
- In Amendment No. 21 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
- 19 (#3977), on page 2, at the end of line 31, change ""1107(B)," to ""1107,""
- 20 AMENDMENT NO. 7
- 21 Delete Amendment No. 35 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
- 22 (#3977)
- 23 AMENDMENT NO. 8
- 24 In Amendment No. 52 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
- 25 (#3977), on page 6, at the end of line 34, insert "or as otherwise provided by regulations
- 26 adopted pursuant to Subsection C of this Section,"
- 27 AMENDMENT NO. 9
- 28 In Amendment No. 63 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
- 29 (#3977), on page 8, delete line 7 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

"A.(1) The commissioner secretary shall issue a certificate of public
convenience and necessity or a certificate of completion of injection operations to
each person applying therefor if, after a public hearing pursuant to the provisions of
R.S. 30:6 held in the parish where the storage facility is to be located, the
commissioner secretary determines that it is required by the present or future public
convenience and necessity, and such decision is based upon the following criteria:
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(2) However, if any person has previously been issued a certificate of public convenience and necessity or a certificate of completion of injection operations by the commissioner secretary, that certificate continues to remain valid and in force."

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In Amendment No. 63 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment (#3977), on page 8, between lines 19 and 20 insert the following:

"C. The commissioner secretary shall issue a certificate of completion of injection operations to the operator applying therefor if, after a public hearing pursuant to R.S. 30:6, it is determined that such operator has met all of the conditions required for such certificate, including the requirements of R.S. 30:1109.

D. Notwithstanding any provision of this Chapter or any rule, regulation, or order issued by the commissioner under this Chapter to the contrary, accepting or acting pursuant to a certificate of public convenience and necessity or a certificate of completion of injection operations issued under this Chapter; compliance with the provisions of this Chapter or with rules, regulations, or orders issued by the commissioner secretary under this Chapter; or voluntarily performing any act which could be required by the commissioner secretary pursuant to this Chapter or rules, regulations, or orders issued by the commissioner secretary under this Chapter shall not have the following consequences:"

# AMENDMENT NO. 11

- 28 In Amendment No. 65 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
- 29 (#3977), on page 8, delete lines 27 through 34 in their entirety and insert the following in
- 30 lieu thereof:

# "A. Every applicant for a Class VI permit or a Class V permit related to a geologic sequestration project shall comply with the following:

# 33 AMENDMENT NO. 12

- 34 In Amendment No. 65 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
- 35 (#3977), on page 8, line 37, after "make a" and before "good" insert "<u>reasonable search and</u>
- 36 <u>a</u>"

#### 37 <u>AMENDMENT NO. 13</u>

- 38 In Amendment No. 65 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
- 39 (#3977), on page 8, line 48, after "All" delete the remainder of the line and at the beginning
- 40 of line 49, delete "search, including owners in interest,"

# 41 AMENDMENT NO. 14

- 42 In Amendment No. 65 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
- 43 (#3977), on page 9, line 5, after "make a" and before "good" insert "**reasonable search and**
- 44 <u>a</u>"

#### 45 AMENDMENT NO. 15

- 1 In Amendment No. 65 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
- 2 (#3977), on page 9, line 14, after "<u>All</u>" delete the remainder of the line and at the beginning
- 3 of line 15, delete "search, including owners in interest,"

# 4 AMENDMENT NO. 16

- 5 In Amendment No. 65 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
- 6 (#3977), on page 9, at the end of line 23, delete "carbon dioxide" and insert "geologic"

#### 7 AMENDMENT NO. 17

- 8 In Amendment No. 66 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
- 9 (#3977), on page 9, at the beginning of line 30, insert "and 87(A), introductory paragraph
- of (F)(1)(a), and introductory paragraph of (b) as enacted by Section 1 of Act 16 of the 2024
- 11 Third Extraordinary Session of the Legislature of Louisiana"

# 12 AMENDMENT NO. 18

- 13 In Amendment No. 66 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
- 14 (#3977), on page 13, at the end of line 2, delete the quotation mark """ and between lines 2
- and 3, insert the following:

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#### §87. Oilfield site restoration fees

A. There is hereby imposed on crude petroleum produced from producing 11 wells in this state a fee on each barrel of oil and condensate as provided in this Section, payable upon the initial disposition of each barrel of oil and condensate. The fee is in addition to any tax imposed pursuant to Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950. The provisions of Chapters 17 and 18 of Subtitle II of Title 47 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 shall apply to the administration, collection, and enforcement of the fee imposed in this Section, and the penalties provided by that code shall apply to any person who fails to pay or report the fee. Proceeds from the fee, including any penalties collected in connection with the fee, shall be deposited into the Oilfield Site Restoration Fund.

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F. The site restoration fee shall be the following:

- (1) Full rate production shall include all production from oil or gas wells 30 except for production from reduced rate production wells as set forth in R.S. 31 47:633(7).
- (a) For crude oil and condensate, the fee shall be based on the oil price on July first of each year for the ensuing twelve months based upon the average New York Mercantile Exchange Price per barrel of crude oil per month on the close of business on June thirtieth for the prior twelve months. The amount of the fee for a well that produces crude oil and condensate shall 38 be as follows:

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(b) For natural gas and casing head gas, the fee shall be based on the natural gas price on July first of each year for the ensuing twelve months based upon the Henry Hub Natural Gas Spot Price average monthly price in dollars per million BTU published by the United States Energy Information Administration for the preceding January first through December thirty-first available as of April first. For natural gas and casing head gas, the fee shall be as follows:

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# AMENDMENT NO. 19

- 48 In Amendment No. 77 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
- 49 (#3977), on page 15, at the end of line 10, delete "by the secretary" and insert "pursuant
- to the procedure provided pursuant to Paragraph (B)(2) of this Section"

#### 1 AMENDMENT NO. 20

- 2 In Amendment No. 85 by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
- 3 (#3977), on page 15, at the end of line 39, insert "1103(10),"
- 4 AMENDMENT NO. 21
- 5 On page 3, line 27, after "R.S. 49:214.29(B)" and before "R.S." delete the comma "," and
- 6 insert "and 992(D)(7),"
- 7 AMENDMENT NO. 22
- 8 On page 59, line 15, after "cover" and before "administrative" insert "custodial services,
- 9 investment, and disbursement costs directly attributable to the investment of the fund
- 10 **and**"
- 11 AMENDMENT NO. 23
- On page 60, line 3, after "2026," delete the remainder of the line, delete lines 4 and 5 in their
- entirety, and insert "excluding the proceeds from the oilfield site restoration fees
- collected pursuant to R.S. 30:87 and any interest thereon, all cash deposits held or
- 15 managed under"
- 16 AMENDMENT NO. 24
- On page 60, line 6, after "R.S. 30:86" and before "or any" delete "through 88"
- 18 AMENDMENT NO. 25
- On page 60, at the end of line 9, delete "of" and at the beginning of line 10, delete
- 20 "<u>instruments and associated records</u>" and insert a comma "," and "<u>including the transfer</u>
- 21 of associated records,"
- 22 AMENDMENT NO. 26
- 23 On page 167, delete lines 5 through 7 in their entirety
- 24 AMENDMENT NO. 27
- On page 211, line 1, after "R.S. 49:214.29(B)" and before "hereby" delete "is" and insert
- 26 "and 922(D)(7) are"
- 27 AMENDMENT NO. 28
- On page 211, between lines 7 and 8, insert the following:
- 29 "§992. Applicability; exemptions; attorney fees; court costs 30 \* \* \* \*

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33 (7) All adjudications by the assistant secretary of the office of conservation
34 **Department of Conservation and Energy** pursuant to Chapters 1 and 7 of Subtitle
35 I of Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, except determinations of
36 violations of laws, rules, regulations, and orders, and determinations of penalties for
37 such violations, shall be exempt from the provisions of this Chapter.

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