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SB 502 Engrossed

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Cathey

Present law prohibits parish governing authorities from adopting ordinances that declares an agricultural operation operated in accordance with generally accepted agricultural practices or traditional farm practices to be a nuisance or zoning ordinance that forces closure of the agricultural operation.

Proposed law retains present law and further prohibits a parish or municipal governing authority from enacting or enforcing any ordinance prohibiting the storage of sugarcane bagasse biomass when stored in accordance with a best management practice plan.

Proposed law defines "sugarcane bagasse biomass".

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 3:3602(18); adds R.S. 3:3602(19) and 3607(E))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Agriculture, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development to the original bill

1. Changes effective date from August 1, 2026, to upon signature of the governor.