The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Senate Legislative Services. The keyword, summary, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

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Present Joint Rule establishes a special joint committee, the Atchafalaya Basin Program Oversight Committee to monitor, review, and make recommendations relative to all aspects of the Atchafalaya Basin Program in the Dept. of Natural Resources which was established in 1998 pursuant to prior law.

Present Joint Rule provides that the committee is composed of all members of the House of Representatives and of the Senate who represent in whole or in part the parishes of Assumption, Avoyelles, Iberia, Iberville, Pointe Coupee, St. Landry, St. Martin, and St. Mary. Provides that the special joint committee shall select a chairman and a vice chairman from among its members. Provides that the staff of the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment and Senate Committee on Natural Resources shall provide staff support to the special joint committee. Provides that the special joint committee may call upon the staffs of any department, agency, or official of the state, particularly the Dept. of Natural Resources and its secretary, for data and assistance and may request and utilize the assistance of any and all private sources.

Proposed Joint Rule repeals such rule effective the second Monday in March 2026, if SCR __ of this 2026 RS is adopted.

(Repeals Jt. Rule No. 7)