

GREEN SHEET REDIGEST

HB 79

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CIVIL/LAW: Removes damage threshold for carbon capture release.

DIGEST

Present law provides for civil liability actions against owners and operators of carbon dioxide storage facilities and carbon dioxide transmission pipelines and generators of the carbon dioxide being transported or stored by a facility or pipeline with the general limit on compensatory damages for noneconomic losses at \$250,000 per person and the limit for exceptional cases at \$500,000 per person. Proposed law retains present law but removes the limit for exception cases at \$500,000 per person.

Present law also provides the maximum amount recoverable for noneconomic losses at \$1 million per person in the event the liability limits under present law are found to be unconstitutional.

(Amends R.S. 30:1109(B)-(F); Repeals R.S. 30:1109(G))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary A to the engrossed bill

1. Make technical changes.
2. Include the present law limitation of liability on any damages resulting from carbon capture and storage for exception cases.