

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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New law provides relative to wood pellet manufacturing.

New law provides for legislative findings and the purpose of new law.

New law defines "wood pellet manufacturing" and "wood derived biofuel".

New law allows Louisiana Economic Development to support the recruitment, retention, and expansion of wood pellet manufacturing facilities in this state within existing statutory authority and subject to the availability of funds, and to develop policies, guidance, or program criteria consistent with existing economic development programs, when appropriate and within existing authority including but not limited to the following:

- (1) Prioritizing and enhancing job creation incentives for wood pellet and wood-derived fuel manufacturing facilities.
- (2) Establishing workforce development and training initiatives for wood pellet manufacturing facilities.
- (3) Coordinating with ports regarding infrastructure needs associated with wood pellet manufacturing cargo.
- (4) Establishing site readiness criteria for wood pellet and wood-derived fuel manufacturing.
- (5) Providing clear regulatory pathways for the development of wood pellet manufacturing facilities throughout this state.
- (6) Prioritizing wood pellet and wood-derived fuel cargo for loading, docking, and processing at state ports.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Adds R.S. 51:955.1 and 955.2)