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SENATE BILL NO. 363

BY SENATOR ADLEY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 30:28.1, relative to drilling activities; to prohibit permitted oil and gas drilling activities from disturbing privately owned active water wells; to provide requirements and conditions; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 30:28.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§28.1. Avoiding disturbance of privately owned water well

A. An owner or operator of a permitted oil and gas well shall construct and maintain the drilling activity area in such a manner as to avoid disturbing the use of any privately owned active water well existing at the time of the application for the permit to drill.

B. An owner or operator of a permitted oil and gas well may negotiate with the owner of a privately owned active water well to relocate such water well. The owner or operator of a permitted oil and gas well shall pay for the relocation and plugging of the water well.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: ____________

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