The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Curry Johnson.

DIGEST

Thompson (SB 93)

<u>Present law</u> requires the La. Forestry Commission to retain all receipts from the sale of seedlings at commission nurseries.

<u>Proposed law</u> instead requires the Dept. of Agriculture and Forestry to retain all receipts from the sale of seedlings at department nurseries.

<u>Present law</u> requires that receipts from the sale of seedlings be expended in the development and operation of the commission's nurseries for scientific forestry research and experimentation for land acquisition and general operations of the commission.

<u>Proposed law</u> narrows the scope of <u>present law</u> to require that receipts from the sale of seedlings only be expended in the general operations of the department nurseries instead of the commission and otherwise retains <u>present law</u>.

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

(Amends R.S. 3:4303)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

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

1. Clarifies that nurseries belong to the department and not the commission.