## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Provides relative to coastal use permits for work done to maintain drainage by levee and drainage districts.

<u>Present law</u> requires a coastal use permit for any activity in the coastal area. Requires applications to be made to the secretary of the Dept. of Natural Resources. Requires the secretary to ensure that any activity in the coastal area is consistent with the state's master plan for integrated coastal activities.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires a letter of no objection or a request for stipulations from the parish governing authority and the levee district or drainage district where the activity is located prior to issuance of the coastal use permit.

<u>Present law</u> exempts certain activities from the requirement for a coastal use permit. <u>Proposed law</u> adds to that list activities for the purpose of maintaining drainage done by a levee or drainage district including spraying, dredging, and placement of spoil material for the normal maintenance of drainage channels and outfall canals.

(Adds R.S. 49:214.30(A)(3) and 214.34(A)(11))