

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 24

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Environmental Quality, in consultation with other entities, to study the feasibility of providing funding for remediation of storm water quality impairments, including but not limited to sediment and aquatic trash, through the implementation of devices to capture such impairments and the maintenance of devices to remove such impairments from storm water systems.

WHEREAS, the proper treatment of storm water is necessary to maintain and protect the watersheds of our state; and

WHEREAS, currently in Louisiana, most municipal storm water systems fail to remediate storm water impairments due to a lack of available funding to install necessary remediation equipment and properly maintain such equipment, as well as a lack of qualified operators; and

WHEREAS, such continued lack of remediation of storm water impairments presents a threat to the health of the citizens of Louisiana and the environment; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of devices to capture impairments, and the maintenance of such devices to remove the impairments from the storm water systems, together with sufficient resources to provide for ongoing maintenance and proper operation, will result in cleaner waters and increased flood control in Louisiana.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Department of Environmental Quality, in consultation with the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, the United States Geological Survey, the Louisiana State University AgCenter, the Louisiana State University College of the Coast and Environment, the Louisiana Stormwater Coalition, the Water Institute of the Gulf, and other interested state and local governmental entities as the department deems proper, to study the feasibility of providing funding for the remediation of storm water quality impairments through the implementation and maintenance of devices to capture and remove impairments from storm water systems.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted, by electronic transmission or other method of delivery, to the secretary of the Department of Environmental Quality, the secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, the regional director of the United States Geological Survey Region 4, the Louisiana State University Vice President for Agriculture, the dean of the Louisiana State University College of the Coast and Environment, the executive director of the Louisiana Stormwater Coalition, and the president of the Water Institute of the Gulf.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES