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<u>Present law</u> authorizes the secretary of DEQ to implement a program to expedite processing of permits, modifications, registrations, or variances for environmental permit applicants.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and authorizes the secretary to institute a federal permitting parity program for advanced nuclear power generation applications submitted by electric public utilities.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the utility submit that the application is for development and construction of a small modular reactor and is consistent with a letter of collaboration entered into between the applicant and the federal government.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the secretary to adopt rules under the Administrative Procedure Act which provide notice that the permit is issued under the permitting parity program.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that "electric public utility" means the same as in R.S. 45:121, as well as a provider, operator, owner, generator, developer, designer, or customer of a small modular reactor.

Effective August 1, 2025.

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(Amends R.S. 30:2014.5)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Environmental Quality to the original bill

1. Adds that "electric public utility" means the same as provided in R.S. 45:121, as well as a provider, operator, owner, generator, developer, designer, or customer of a small modular reactor.