

Regular Session, 2009

HOUSE BILL NO. 899 (Substitute for House Bill No.656 by Representative Chaney)

BY REPRESENTATIVE CHANEY

FUELS/BUTANE-PROPANE-LPG: Clarifies provisions relative to the collection, receipt, and use of funds by the Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1851(E), relative to the Liquefied Petroleum Gas
3 Commission; to provide for collection, receipt, and use of funds by the Liquefied
4 Petroleum Gas Commission; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 40:1851(E) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §1851. Assessment

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9 E.(1) The proceeds of the assessment and the interest earned on those
10 proceeds shall be used for market development and promotion of the use of liquefied
11 petroleum gas. Such marketing programs may include advertising on radio,
12 television, newspapers, magazines, billboards, websites and on-line venues, as well
13 as sponsorships and participation in trade shows, consumer rebate programs to
14 encourage the purchase of propane appliances and any other programs as
15 recommended by the Market Development Advisory Committee established under
16 Subsection F of this Section. ~~All monies received or collected pursuant to R.S.~~
17 ~~40:1851.1(A) and deposited into the separate interest-bearing account as provided~~
18 ~~by Subsection D of this Section, including any interest which may be earned on such~~
19 ~~monies, shall be used exclusively for the purposes provided in R.S. 40:1851.1(B).~~

1 (2) All monies received or collected pursuant to R.S. 40:1851.1(A), including
2 any interest which may be earned on such monies, shall be deposited into a separate
3 interest-bearing account established and maintained by the commission. All monies
4 deposited shall be used exclusively for the purposes provided for in R.S.
5 40:1851.1(B).

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for the collection and use of funds by the Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission.

Present law provides that an assessment of the Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission and the earned interest on that assessment shall be used for market development and promotion of the use of liquified petroleum gas.

Proposed law retains present law and delineates the types of marketing programs that may be utilized.

Present law provides that all monies collected and received, pursuant to R.S. 40:1851.1(A) (federal monies), shall be deposited into the same interest-bearing account that the present law assessments are deposited. Further provides that such funds shall only be used to enhance consumer and employee safety and training, to provide for research and development of clean and efficient propane utilization equipment, or to inform and educate the public about safety and other issues associated with the use of propane.

Proposed law provides that the commission shall maintain a new and separate interest-bearing account for the federal monies.

(Amends R.S. 40:1851(E))