

SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Natural Resources to Original Senate Bill No. 119 by Senator Perry

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "1216" delete the comma and insert "and 1217.1(B), and R.S. 56:30.3(B) and to enact R.S. 41:1217(F),"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 5, after "leases;" insert "to provide for terms of a lease transferred to the state from another party;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 8, delete "is" and insert "and 1217.1(B) are" and after "reenacted" insert "and R.S. 41:1217(F) is hereby enacted"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, between lines 13 and 14, insert:

"§1217. Term and rental; port authorities excepted

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F. All leases or extensions of leases on lands administered, controlled or managed by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries executed under the provisions of this Part, or R.S. 56:30.3, shall require that the rental payments be adjusted annually by an amount not less than the Consumer Price Index.

§1217.1. Renewal of lease; highest bid option

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B. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, if the commissioner or secretary determines there exists a public need to maintain the current lessee, the commissioner or secretary may offer the current lessee, if he made a bid, the option to match the highest bid in order to **continue to** lease the state lands. **The provisions of this Subsection shall apply to lessees who held a lease with another party, which lease was subsequently transferred to the state.** The provisions of this Subsection shall not apply to oyster leases, alligator leases, or oil and gas leases entered into by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, or to any lease entered into by the State Mineral and Energy Board.

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Section 2. R.S. 56:30.3(B) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§30.3. Lease of state lands; access to public waterways

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B. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, if the secretary determines there exists a public need to maintain the current lessee, the secretary may offer the current lessee, if he made a bid, the option to match the highest bid in order to **continue to** lease the state lands. **The provisions of this Subsection shall apply to lessees who held a lease with another party, which lease was subsequently transferred to the state.** The provisions of this Subsection shall not apply to oyster leases, oil and gas leases or alligator leases entered into by the department, or to any lease entered into by the State Mineral and Energy Board. The department shall promulgate rules and regulations providing for uniform criteria to assess the management of leased property."

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 2, line 14, change "Section 2." to "Section 3."