HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

House Bill No. 701 by Representative Garofalo

LEVEES: Provides relative to employment and deployment of police from the levee districts within the Southeast La. Flood Protection Authority - East (SELFPA-East)

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

- 1. Removed requirement that the superintendent serve under the operation and direction of the superintendent of state police.
- 2. Removed authorization that funds for salary, benefits, and expenses of the superintendent may be assessed on an equal basis among the three existing levee districts.
- 3. Removed exception for superintendent from R.S. 38:326, i.e., superintendent must be POST certified and may not receive state supplemental pay.
- 4. Limits salary to that of the State Police superintendent.
- 5. Provides that the SELFPA-East deployment may occur only if it does not create public safety concerns in the other levee districts.
- 6. Provides that if full compensation for a deployment is not received from a particular levee district, that delinquent district shall not be eligible for future deployments until all past payments are made.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

<u>Present law</u>, relative to the Southeast La. Flood Protection Authority - East (SELFPA-East), prohibits the employment of police security personnel. Authorizes cooperative agreements with other law enforcement forces for security within the territorial jurisdiction of the authority.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the employment of a POST-certified police security superintendent to supervise the police personnel of all the levee districts within the territorial jurisdiction of the authority. Provides that the superintendent has powers of a police officer throughout the jurisdiction of the authority. Authorizes SELFPA-East to assess each levee district within the SELFPA-East territorial jurisdiction for the salary, benefits, and expenses of the superintendent.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the deployment of police security personnel from one levee district within the territorial jurisdiction of the authority to another levee district with the jurisdiction of the authority provided that such deployment does not create a public safety concern in the other districts and that the levee district supplying the personnel is fully compensated. Provides that if full compensation for a deployment is not received from a particular levee district, that delinquent district shall not be eligible for future deployments until all past payments are made.

(Amends R.S. 38:330.7)