

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 60

BY SENATOR LONG

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request federal, state, and local governing authorities when contracting for coastal restoration and protection projects to give priority to Louisiana businesses.

WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana is facing an unprecedented crisis due to the rapid loss of its coast and wetlands, a challenge that is threatening its communities, industry and small businesses, and culture; and

WHEREAS, this crisis has created a need for a concerted effort involving multiple state and federal agencies, as well as local levee boards, parish officials, private industries, and concerned citizens; and

WHEREAS, the legislature has mandated that the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority develop and implement a comprehensive coastal protection and restoration master plan that will include numerous coastal restoration and protection projects that will protect Louisiana's communities, its industry and small businesses, the nation's critical energy infrastructure, and the state's bountiful natural resources; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana's industry and small businesses are also threatened by our coastal crisis and will be an integral part in participating in the numerous infrastructure projects that will be necessary to restore the state's coasts and protect its people.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request federal, state, and local governing authorities when contracting for coastal restoration and protection projects to give priority to Louisiana businesses.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the executive director of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES