DIGEST

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Hodges HCR No. 51

Establishes the Comite River Diversion Canal Project Task Force to study and make recommendations to the legislature on actions necessary to complete the construction of the Comite River Diversion Canal Project. Provides that the committee submit a final report to the House of Representatives by Jan. 15, 2015. Provides that the task force will be staffed by the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works. Provides that the task force be composed of the following members:

- (1) One member shall be the member of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker whose district is directly impacted by the Comite River Diversion Canal Project and who shall be the chairman of the task force.
- (2) One member shall be the member of the Senate appointed by the president whose district is directly impacted by the Comite River Diversion Canal Project and who shall be the vice chairman of the task force.
- One member shall be appointed by the members of the Louisiana congressional delegation representing the district in which the Comite River Diversion Canal Project is located.
- (4) One member shall be the district engineer of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District, or his designee.
- (5) One member shall be the secretary of the Dept. of Transportation and Development, or his designee.
- (6) One member shall be the executive director of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority, or his designee.
- (7) One member shall be a former member of the Amite River Basin board of commissioners appointed by the chairman of the task force.
- (8) One member shall be a current member of the Amite River Basin board of commissioners appointed by the chairman of the task force.
- (9) One member shall be the director of the Dept. of Public Works of East Baton Rouge Parish, or his designee.

- (10) One member shall be a homebuilder within the area impacted by the Comite River Diversion Canal Project appointed by the president of the Louisiana Homebuilder's Association.
- One member shall be a realtor in the area impacted by the Comite River Diversion Canal Project appointed by the Louisiana Realtors Association.
- One member shall be a representative of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) appointed by the director of FEMA's Louisiana Recovery Office.
- (13) One member shall be a landowner in the area impacted by the Comite River Diversion Canal Project appointed by the Louisiana Landowners Association.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Transportation</u>, <u>Highways and Public Works</u> to the <u>original</u> concurrent resolution.

- 1. Provided that the House and Senate members shall represent districts directly impacted by the Comite River Diversion Canal Project.
- 2. Added a landowner in the area impacted by the project who is appointed by the Louisiana Landowners Association to the task force.