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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1

BY REPRESENTATIVE DOVE

COASTAL RESOURCES: Approves the 2015-2016 annual plan for integrated coastal protection and restoration

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To approve the annual integrated coastal protection plan for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 as 3 adopted by the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority. 4 WHEREAS, R.S. 49:214.5.1 et seq. creates the Coastal Protection and Restoration 5 Authority Board to represent the state's position in policy relative to the protection, 6 conservation, enhancement, and restoration of the coastal area of the state through oversight 7 of integrated coastal protection projects and programs; and 8 WHEREAS, R.S. 49:214.5.1 et seq. provides that the board shall develop, coordinate, 9 make reports on, and provide oversight for the comprehensive coastal protection annual 10 plan; and 11 WHEREAS, R.S. 49:214.5.1 et seq. provides for the creation, duties, and 12 responsibilities of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority as the implementation 13 and enforcement arm of the board and through its offices and officers shall be responsible 14 for the implementation and enforcement of the annual state integrated coastal protection 15 plan; and 16 WHEREAS, the annual state integrated coastal protection plan represents the state 17 policy for protecting, conserving, and restoring Louisiana's coastal area through the 18 construction and management of integrated coastal protection projects and programs, 19 including coastal protection and restoration projects and hurricane protection projects, which are projects that may require, without limitation, funding for associated measures such as the 20 21 beneficial use of dredged material, rehabilitation and repair of state restoration projects,

1	environmental and regulatory compliance, acquisition of land easements, right-of-ways,
2	relocations and disposal areas (LERRDS), maintenance programs, conservation and
3	restoration partnerships, reserve fund contingencies, and other innovative programs,
4	provided that such funding for associated measures shall be allocated to the projects based
5	on priority status as identified by the annual state integrated coastal protection plan in order
6	to more effectively respond to the ever-changing coastal crisis; and
7	WHEREAS, as required under the provisions of R.S. 49:214.5.3, the annual state
8	integrated coastal protection plan adopted by the authority must be submitted to the Senate
9	Committee on Natural Resources and the House Committee on Natural Resources and
10	Environment and the Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works and
11	the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works, on or before the
12	fifteenth day of the regular legislative session of each year; and
13	WHEREAS, these committees must provide guidance for and approval of the annual
14	state integrated coastal protection plan; and
15	WHEREAS, the annual state integrated coastal protection plan shall become
16	effective and shall be implemented upon approval of the annual plan by a majority of both
17	houses of the legislature, or if a majority of both houses of the legislature fails to disapprove
18	the annual state integrated coastal protection plan by July 1, 2015, it shall become
19	immediately effective and implemented.
20	THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby
21	approve the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 annual plan for integrated coastal protection, as adopted
22	by the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority.
23	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
24	chairman of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority.

## **DIGEST**

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