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SB 132 Reengrossed

2017 Regular Session

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Present law provides for prohibited uses on certain rivers in the Louisiana Scenic Rivers Act. Further provides that the prohibited uses are channelization, clearing and snagging, channel realignment, and reservoir construction.

Proposed law allows for the permitting of clearing and snagging, and dredging operations conducted or contract for by a political subdivision, the state, or the federal government for drainage purposes, in the Comite River, West Pearl River, Tchefuncte River, Bogue Falaya River, Abita River, Amite River, and Bayou Manchac.

Effective August 1, 2017.

(Amends R.S. 56:1855(M)(2); adds R.S. 56:1855(O))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Adds the Pearl River, Tchefuncte River, Bogue Falaya River, and Abita River.
2. Legislative Bureau technical amendment.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment to the reengrossed bill:

1. Correct the name of the river in the Scenic Rivers program from the Pearl River to the West Pearl River.
2. Limit the exemption to operations conducted or contracted for by a political subdivision, the state, or the federal government.