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HOUSE BILL NO. 183

BY REPRESENTATIVE COX

MINERALS/MINING: Levies an annual reclamation fee on surface mining operations

1 AN ACT 2 To amend and reenact R.S. 30:906.1, relative to surface mining and reclamation fees; to levy 3 an annual reclamation fee; and to provide for related matters. 4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 5 Section 1. R.S. 30:906.1 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows: 6 §906.1. Surface mining and reclamation fees 7 There is hereby imposed on all permittees under the supervision of the assistant secretary pursuant to Chapter 9 of this Title, Surface Mining and 8 9 Reclamation Act, an annual regulatory fee of eight cents per ton on all coal and 10 lignite mined in this state and an annual reclamation fee of six dollars for each acre 11 of land included within the approved mine permit area. This fee The revenue 12 received from these fees shall be used for the purpose of enforcing the Louisiana 13 Surface Mining and Reclamation Act and regulations promulgated thereunder.

## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Levies an annual reclamation fee on surface mining operations.

<u>Present law</u> imposes an annual regulatory fee of  $8\phi$  per ton on all coal and lignite mined in the state. Provides that revenues are to be used for enforcing the laws and regulations of the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act.

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<u>Proposed law</u> adds an annual reclamation fee in the amount of \$6 for each acre of land included in the approved mine permit area. Provides that the revenues are to be used as provided in <u>present law</u>.

(Amends R.S. 30:906.1)