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HOUSE BILL NO. 219

BY REPRESENTATIVES SAM JONES, BARRAS, CHAMPAGNE, AND ST. GERMAIN
AND SENATOR MILLS

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

PROPERTY/PUBLIC: Provides for specific uses for the Atchafalaya Basin Conservation
Fund

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 30:2000.12(C), relative to the Atchafalaya Basin Conservation
3 Fund; to provide for funds to purchase, from willing sellers, land in the Atchafalaya
4 Basin; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 30:2000.12(C) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §2000.12. Atchafalaya Basin Conservation Fund

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9 C.(1) Monies appropriated from the fund shall be used exclusively by the
10 Department of Natural Resources to fund projects contained in the state or federal
11 Basin master plans, an annual Basin plan, or to provide match for the Atchafalaya
12 Basin Floodway System, Louisiana Project. Of the monies allocated in any one
13 fiscal year, seventy-five percent shall be used for water management, water quality,
14 or access projects, and the remaining twenty-five percent may be used to complete
15 ongoing projects and for projects that are in accordance with the mission statement
16 of the state master plan. The monies in the fund shall not be used to pay salaries or
17 operating costs of the program or department.

18 (2) Of the monies received by the fund each year in accordance with the
19 provisions of Article VII, Section 4(D)(4)(b) of the Constitution of Louisiana, five
20 percent shall be set aside for the Department of Natural Resources to purchase, in fee

