2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 683

BY REPRESENTATIVE CREWS

WILDLIFE & FISHERIES: Provides relative to royalties on dredged materials

1	AN ACT		
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 56:2011(D) and (E), relative to royalties on dredged materials;		
3	to provide for exemptions from payment of certain royalties and bond requirements;		
4	and to provide for related matters.		
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:		
6	Section 1. R.S. 56:2011(D) and (E) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as		
7	follows:		
8	§2011. License to dredge; royalties; exemptions		
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10	D. Only holders of Class A and D licenses shall be authorized to sell fill sand		
11	or fill material dredged. Holders of Class B, C, D, or E licenses shall not sell fill		
12	sand or fill material which was dredged or caused to be dredged under authority of		
13	those licenses.		
14	E. Any private landowner, state agency, political subdivision, or associated		
15	consultant or contractor engaged in a coastal protection, conservation, or restoration		
16	activity consistent with an annual plan or the comprehensive master plan established		
17	pursuant to R.S. 49:214.5.3, or engaged in an activity to remove sediment buildup		
18	to preserve or restore the natural habitat of $\frac{1}{2}$ any water body of the state or to		
19	enhance navigation and recreation activities on a <u>any</u> water body of the state shall be		
20	exempt from payment of the royalties and bond requirements of this Section.		

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CODING: Words in struck through type are deletions from existing law; words <u>underscored</u> are additions.

1	However, any such private landowner, state agency, political subdivision, or
2	associated consultant or contractor shall be required to apply for and receive the
3	appropriate license required by this Section. To be eligible for exemption from the
4	royalty payment and bond requirements of this Section, a private landowner shall
5	obtain a letter of no-objection from either the governing authority of the political
6	subdivision within which the activity will occur, or the local coastal management
7	program under which the activity is authorized, and the approval, in writing, of the
8	secretary of the Department of Natural Resources, the secretary of the Department
9	of Transportation and Development, and the executive director of the Coastal
10	Protection and Restoration Authority.
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DIGEST

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Abstract: Allows persons who hold certain licenses to sell dredged material and specifies that the royalty and bonding exemption for dredging operations and dredged					

materials applies to all waterbodies of the state.

<u>Present law</u> provides for Class A, B, C, D, and E classes of licenses to dredge materials from the water bottoms of this state.

<u>Present law</u> further provides that only holders of Class A licenses are authorized to sell fill sand or fill material dredged. Further, holders of Class B, C, D, or E licenses cannot sell fill sand or fill material which was dredged or caused to be dredged under authority of those licenses.

<u>Proposed law</u> allows holders of Class D permits to sell fill sand or fill material that was dredged.

<u>Present law</u> provides for bond requirements for dredging activities and royalty requirements for dredged material.

<u>Present law</u> grants an exemption from payment of the <u>present law</u> royalties and bond requirements to any private landowner, state agency, political subdivision, or associated consultant or contractor engaged in a coastal protection, conservation, or restoration activity consistent with an annual plan or the comprehensive master plan, or engaged in an activity to remove sediment buildup to preserve or restore the natural habitat of a waterbody of the state or to enhance navigation and recreation activities on a waterbody of the state.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and specifies that the provisions of <u>present law</u> apply to all waterbodies of the state.

(Amends R.S. 56:2011(D) and (E))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

- The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Natural Resources and</u> <u>Environment</u> to the <u>original</u> bill:
- 1. Authorize holders of a Class D license to dredge to sell fill sand or fill materials dredged.
- 2. Make technical changes.