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HOUSE BILL NO. 882

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WILDLIFE/MGT AREAS: Authorizes DOTD to perform repairs to bridges and roadways in wildlife management areas

AN ACT

2	To enact R.S. 48:757(A)(1)(d), relative to off-system work by the Department of
3	Transportation and Development; to authorize the department to construct, maintain,
4	and improve roads in wildlife management areas of the state and refuges, and other
5	lands owned by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries; and to provide for related
6	matters.
7	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
8	Section 1. R.S. 48:757(A)(1)(d) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
9	§757. Off-system work; prohibitions; exceptions
10	A.(1) The Department of Transportation and Development shall perform no
11	work on the parish road system or on any other roads or streets which are not in the
12	state highway system, whether such work is construction or maintenance and
13	whether the work is done at the expense of the state or at the expense of the
14	governing authority of the parishes, except in the following circumstances:
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16	(d) The department may construct, maintain, and improve roads, whether
17	hard-surfaced or otherwise, within wildlife management areas owned by the
18	Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and proclaimed as a wildlife management area
19	by the governor, refuges, and other lands owned by the Department of Wildlife and
20	Fisheries. Such work shall be at the direction of, and in cooperation with, the

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

- 1 Department of Wildlife and Fisheries or the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission and
- 2 <u>shall be funded from monies specifically designated for that purpose.</u>

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes DOTD to construct, maintain, and improve roads in wildlife management areas of the state.

<u>Present law</u> prohibits DOTD from performing work on roads that are not in the state highway system. <u>Present law</u> also provides for certain exemptions from this prohibition such as roads located in state parks and off-system bridges.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds roads, refuges, and other lands in wildlife management areas owned by the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries. Provides that such work shall be at the direction of and in cooperation with the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries or the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission and shall be funded through monies specifically designated for that purpose.

(Adds R.S. 48:757(A)(1)(d))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Transportation, Highways</u> and <u>Public Works</u> to the <u>original</u> bill.

1. Added refuges, and other lands to the exemptions that make it optional for DOTD to construct, maintain, and improve refuges and other lands in wildlife management areas owned by the Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries.