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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 171

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to study the impact of expanding the territorial jurisdiction of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority to include any levee district that is not in the coastal area and under its current jurisdiction or authority.

WHEREAS, it is strongly recommended that the Department of Transportation and Development study the impact of expanding the territorial jurisdiction of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority to include any levee district that is not in the coastal area and under its current jurisdiction or authority; and

WHEREAS, the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority is charged with oversight of the design, construction, extension, improvement, repair, and regulation of hurricane protection and flood control projects in the coastal area; and

WHEREAS, the inspection of hurricane protection and flood control levees and structures within the coastal area is also the responsibility of the Office of the Coastal Protection and Restoration; and

WHEREAS, the jurisdiction of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority currently includes only those levee districts within the coastal area of the state.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to study the impact of expanding the territorial jurisdiction of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority to include any levee district that is not in the coastal area and under its current jurisdiction or authority.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation and Development shall report the results of such study at a public hearing of the Senate and House committees on transportation, highways, and public works meeting jointly, or independently, prior to the convening of the 2011 Regular Session of the Legislature.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development, the chairman of the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority, and the executive director of the Office of Coastal Protection and Restoration.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE