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SENATE BILL NO. 187

BY SENATOR N. GAUTREAUX

PUBLIC LANDS. Requires the Office of State Lands to be joined in certain civil actions involving the State Mineral and Energy Board. (8/15/10)

1	AN ACT
2	To enact R.S. 41:17, relative to state lands; to provide for certain civil actions involving the
3	State Mineral and Energy Board; to require that the office of state lands be joined in
4	certain civil actions; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 41:17 is hereby enacted to read as follows:
7	§17. Actions involving State Mineral and Energy Board; parties
8	In any civil action in which the State Mineral and Energy Board is a
9	party, the Division of Administration, office of state lands shall be joined as a
10	party if such action involves: (a) determining the ownership of any lands
11	belonging to the state, or the title to which is in the public, including road beds.
12	water bottoms, vacant state lands, and lands adjudicated to the state at tax sale.
13	or (b) determining the state ownership of minerals, oil, or gas.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by J. W. Wiley.

DIGEST

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that any civil action in which the State Mineral and Energy Board is a party, the DOA, office of state lands must be joined as a party if such action involves: (a) determining the ownership of any lands belonging to the state, or the title to which is in the public, including road beds, water bottoms, vacant state lands, and lands adjudicated to the state at tax sale, or (b) determining the state ownership of minerals, oil, or gas.

Effective August 15, 2010.

(Adds R.S. 41:17)