

SENATE BILL NO. 436

BY SENATORS LONG, AMEDEE, BROWN, CORTEZ, CROWE, GUILLORY, JOHNS, KOSTELKA, MORRELL, MORRISH, MURRAY, PEACOCK, RISER, JOHN SMITH, TARVER, THOMPSON, WALSWORTH AND WHITE AND REPRESENTATIVES HOWARD, BERTHELOT, BILLIOT, WESLEY BISHOP, BROWN, BURFORD, HENRY BURNS, CARMODY, COX, DANAHAY, EDWARDS, FOIL, GAROFALO, HARRIS, HAZEL, HENRY, HILL, HONORE, HUNTER, KATRINA JACKSON, JONES, NANCY LANDRY, LEBAS, LEOPOLD, LIGI, LORUSSO, MORENO, NORTON, ORTEGO, REYNOLDS AND WILLMOTT

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 38:2325(A)(16), relative to the Sabine River Authority; to  
3 provide for the powers and duties of the authority; to provide rules, conditions, and  
4 requirement for the sale, utilization, distribution, or consumption of water outside the  
5 state; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 38:2325(A)(16) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §2325. Powers

9 A. Said authority shall have the power:

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11 (16)(a) To enter into any and all contracts and other agreements with any  
12 person, real or artificial, any public or private entity, any government or  
13 governmental agency, including the United States of America, the state of Texas, the  
14 Sabine River Authority of Texas, the state of Louisiana, and the agencies, bureaus,  
15 departments, and political subdivisions thereof, which contracts and other  
16 agreements may provide for the sale, conservation, storage, utilization, preservation,  
17 distribution, or consumption, whether within or without the state of Louisiana, of the  
18 waters over which the ~~A~~authority has jurisdiction or over which the ~~A~~authority has  
19 legal control;

20 ~~(b) however, the~~ **The** written concurrence of the governor shall be required  
21 for any contracts and other agreements which provide for the sale, utilization,  
22 distribution, or consumption, outside of the boundaries of the state of Louisiana, of

1 the waters over which the ~~Authority~~ **authority** has jurisdiction or control.

2 (c) The written concurrence of the Senate Committee on Natural  
3 Resources and the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment  
4 shall be required for any contracts and other agreements which provide for the  
5 sale, utilization, distribution, or consumption, outside of the boundaries of the  
6 state of Louisiana, of the waters over which the authority has jurisdiction or  
7 control.

8 (d) In addition, at least two-thirds of the governing authorities of the  
9 parishes within the territorial jurisdiction of the authority shall concur before  
10 the authority can enter into any contracts or other agreements which provide  
11 for the sale, utilization, distribution, or consumption, outside of the boundaries  
12 of the state of Louisiana, of the waters over which the authority has jurisdiction  
13 or control. However, the concurrence from each of the parish governing  
14 authorities shall be by resolution, adopted by a two-thirds vote of the members  
15 of each of the parish governing authorities.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_