

**2025 Regular Session**

**LSLI Disposition Sheet for Title 34**

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<u>LSA-R.S.</u>	<u>Effect</u>	<u>Act No.</u>	<u>Section</u>	<u>Sp. Eff. Dt.</u>
✓ 34:51 thru 57 (Subpt.D, Pt.I, Chpt.1)	Enact	217	1	
✓ 34:293.2(5)	Amend	326	1	
✓ 34:293.2(12)	Enact	326	1	
✓ 34:293.2(13)	Enact	326	1	
✓ 34:335.4(C)	Amend	318	1	
✓ 34:843(A)(1)	Amend	216	1	
✓ 34:843(E)	Enact	216	1	
✓ 34:843(F)	Enact	216	1	
✓ 34:843(G)	Enact	216	1	
✓ 34:851.4(A)(17)	Amend	415	1	
✓ 34:851.14.1(A)	Amend	415	1	
✓ 34:851.27(B)(1)	Amend	415	1	
✓ 34:851.27(B)(3)	Amend	415	1	
✓ 34:851.27(B)(10)	Enact	415	1	
✓ 34:851.27(C)(Intro.Par.)	Amend	415	1	
✓ 34:851.27(C)(3)	Enact	415	1	
✓ 34:852.23	Amend	216	1	
✓ 34:1503(C)	Amend	334	1	06/11/2025 ✓
✓ 34:1504(C)	Amend	334	1	06/11/2025 ✓
✓ 34:1862(C)	Amend	333	1	06/11/2025 ✓
✓ 34:2285	Amend	335	1	06/11/2025 ✓
✓ 34:3281 thru 3286 (Chpt.44)	Repeal	136	1	

Approved by MK on 7-31-25  
(Attorney)

MW on 9/25/2025  
(Revisor)

# ACT 217

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2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 687 (Substitute for House Bill No. 616 by Representative Wright)

BY REPRESENTATIVES WRIGHT, HUGHES, MENA, AND TAYLOR

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Edits To: RS 34 Pgs. 2  
Note:

1 AN ACT

2 To enact Subpart D of Part I of Chapter 1 of Title 34 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950,  
3 to be comprised of R.S. 34:51 through 57, relative to the St. Bernard Transportation  
4 Corridor roadway; to provide for the purposes of the St. Bernard Transportation  
5 Corridor roadway; to designate powers and duties to the board; to provide for the  
6 establishment, design, construction, and financing of the St. Bernard Transportation  
7 Corridor roadway; to authorize the use of public-private partnerships; to provide  
8 coordination with the Department of Transportation and Development and the Port  
9 of New Orleans; to establish supplemental powers and authority; and to provide for  
10 related matters.

11 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

12 Section 1. Subpart D of Part I of Chapter 1 of Title 34 of Louisiana Revised Statutes  
13 of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 34:51 through 57, is hereby enacted to read as follows:

14 SUBPART D. ST. BERNARD TRANSPORTATION CORRIDOR ROADWAY

15 §51. St. Bernard Transportation Corridor roadway; purpose; creation

16 A. The purpose of the St. Bernard Transportation Corridor roadway is to  
17 provide a transportation facility to serve as the direct commercial traffic corridor for  
18 the Louisiana International Terminal to the interstate highway system, as an  
19 alternative local traffic route, and as an emergency or evacuation route to benefit  
20 public safety. The Legislature of Louisiana has determined it to be a matter of public  
21 necessity to authorize the board of commissioners of the Port of New Orleans,  
22 referred to as the "board" in this Subpart, to pursue a public-private partnership for

1 the supplementation of public revenue sources for the design, engineering, planning,  
2 construction, operation, and maintenance of this roadway.

3 B. The transportation facility resulting from the project may include bridges,  
4 elevated roadways, limited-access facilities as defined in R.S. 48:1, and such other  
5 features as may be necessary to accomplish the project's purpose.

6 C. The project shall include all activities, structures, appurtenances, and  
7 features necessary to deliver the transportation facility (including but shall not be  
8 limited to the following:

9 (1) Roadways.

10 (2) Canals, ditches, catch basins, culverts, drains, or other improvements that  
11 ensure adequate drainage.

12 (3) Soil erosion control.

13 (4) Signage.

14 (5) Right of way acquisition.

15 (6) Utility relocations.

16 D. The project shall comply with all applicable provisions of state and  
17 federal law, including but not limited to the minimum safety guidelines promulgated  
18 pursuant to R.S. 48:35 and the uniform highway marking system as outlined in R.S.  
19 32:235.

20 §52. Board of commissioners; powers and duties

21 The board shall have the authority to do all of the following:

22 (1) Enter into agreements with public and private entities for the study,  
23 design, construction, operation, maintenance, and financing of the St. Bernard  
24 Transportation Corridor roadway project.

25 (2) Acquire any immovable property, public or private, or the use thereof,  
26 needed for the St. Bernard Transportation Corridor roadway project by donation,  
27 purchase, exchange, lease, or expropriation in accordance with relevant expropriation  
28 laws.

29 (3) Accept any appropriation, donation, grant, contribution, or allocation  
30 from the United States or the state of Louisiana, or any agency or instrumentality of

1 either, or any public utility or private entity or individual, and enter into any  
2 agreement not prohibited by applicable law needed to accept such appropriation,  
3 donation, grant, contribution, or allocation.

4 §53. Public-private partnership

5 A. The board may solicit proposals for a public-private partnership to design,  
6 construct, finance, operate, and maintain the St. Bernard Transportation Corridor  
7 roadway project as provided in this Subpart.

8 B. In the solicitation of a public-private partnership, the board shall adhere  
9 to the provisions set forth in R.S. 48:2084 through 2084.15, as applicable to  
10 public-private partnership projects undertaken by the Louisiana Transportation  
11 Authority. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the Louisiana  
12 Transportation Authority shall neither be required to grant approval for the  
13 development of the St. Bernard Parish Transportation Corridor roadway project nor  
14 serve as a party to the comprehensive agreement with any private entity. The final  
15 concession agreement with the public-private partner shall be approved by the Joint  
16 Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

17 C. Any agreement entered into by the board for a public-private partnership  
18 shall require a bond with good, solvent, and sufficient surety in an amount equal to  
19 or exceeding the requirements established for contracts by the Department of  
20 Transportation and Development pursuant to R.S. 48:256.3. Additionally, any  
21 agreement shall incorporate the provisions set forth in R.S. 48:256.5.

22 §54. Department of Transportation and Development; approvals; transfer;  
23 cooperation

24 A. The board shall obtain approval of the Department of Transportation and  
25 Development prior to including any activity, structure, appurtenance, or feature into  
26 the St. Bernard Transportation Corridor roadway project that impacts the state  
27 highway svstem.

28 B. The board and the department are authorized to make and enter into  
29 agreements concerning any portion of the development, acquisition, construction,

1 operation, maintenance, or improvement of the St. Bernard Transportation Corridor  
2 roadway project.

3 C. Upon request by the board in connection with the St. Bernard  
4 Transportation Corridor roadway project, and upon terms mutually agreed upon by  
5 the board and the Department of Transportation and Development, the department  
6 is authorized to expend available funds and utilize its engineering and other staff as  
7 deemed necessary and appropriate, in the department's discretion, to conduct traffic  
8 surveys, borings, surveys, preparation of plans and specifications, cost estimates, and  
9 other preliminary engineering and studies.

10 D. Nothing in this Subpart shall preclude the board from transferring the St.  
11 Bernard Transportation Corridor transportation facility to the Department of  
12 Transportation and Development for incorporation into the state highway system  
13 under terms and conditions mutually agreed upon by the board and the department.

14 §55. Design, access, control, and coordination of the St. Bernard Transportation  
15 Corridor Roadway

16 Following the completion of a feasibility study by the Regional Planning  
17 Commission, the board is authorized to design and regulate the St. Bernard  
18 Transportation Corridor roadway. The board shall consult with the Department of  
19 Transportation and Development regarding the final design of the St. Bernard  
20 Transportation Corridor roadway. Additionally, the board shall consult with St.  
21 Bernard Parish and the Department of Transportation and Development concerning  
22 any impacts the St. Bernard Transportation Corridor roadway project may have on  
23 existing and planned local and state roadways, drainage, flood protection, and other  
24 infrastructure interacting with the St. Bernard Transportation Corridor roadway.

25 §56. User fees and collections for the St. Bernard Transportation Corridor Roadway

26 A. User fees for the St. Bernard Transportation Corridor roadway are hereby  
27 authorized as provided in R.S. 48:2084.5.

28 B. Free and unhampered passage shall be granted to all persons entitled by  
29 law to such passage over toll roads and bridges within the state of Louisiana.

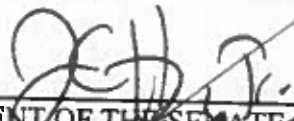
1           C. The board shall possess the same powers as the Department of  
2           Transportation and Development with respect to toll collection, administration,  
3           enforcement, access to vehicle records, toll tags, electronic toll collection,  
4           administrative fees, violation notices, appeal hearings, and the imposition of late  
5           charges, penalties, and sanctions, as provided in R.S. 48:250.4.1.

6           D. The exercise of the powers conferred by this Subpart for the development  
7           and operation of the St. Bernard Parish Corridor roadway project shall constitute the  
8           performance of essential governmental functions for public purposes.  
9           Notwithstanding the existence of any public-private partnership, the roadway and its  
10           associated property shall be exempt from taxation within the state of Louisiana.

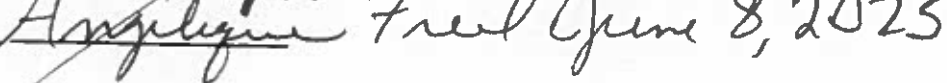
11           §57. Supplemental powers and authority

12           Nothing in this Subpart shall be construed to restrict or limit any powers  
13           granted to the board under any other laws of this state. This Subpart shall be deemed  
14           supplemental, conferring powers and authority in addition to those provided by any  
15           other general or special law.

  
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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

  
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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

  
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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED:  June 8, 2025

# ACT 326

2025 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 107

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BY SENATOR BOUDREAUX AND REPRESENTATIVE CHASSION

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 34:293.2(5) and to enact R.S. 34:293.2(12) and (13), relative to the Lafayette Economic Development Authority; to provide relative to the redevelopment functions, powers, and authorities of the Lafayette Economic Development Authority; to provide for additional powers; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 34:293.2(5) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 34:293.2(12) and (13) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

§293.2. Additional powers; redevelopment

With regard to redevelopment functions, the authority, through the board, shall have all powers necessary or convenient to carry out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of this Part within the territory comprised of all of the territory included within House of Representatives District No. 44 and Districts 1 and 5 of the Lafayette City Council as geographically drawn on June 20, 2022, including but not limited to the following:

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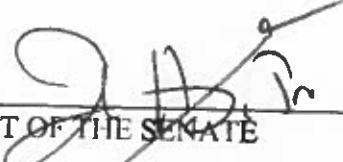
(5) The authority may purchase adjudicated properties within the territory defined in this Section from any political subdivision of the state of Louisiana, **which shall include all rights, powers, and authorities granted to parish redevelopment authorities pursuant to R.S. 33:4720.161(K)(1) through (6).**


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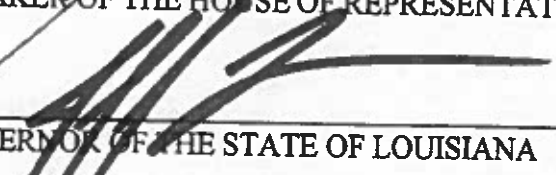
**(12) To purchase property at a sale conducted pursuant to enforcement of judicial mortgages created in accordance with R.S. 13:2575(C) by tendering a bid equal to or greater than the minimum bid advertised. The bid may be a credit bid consisting of the authority to satisfy the bid by payment to the**

political subdivision holding the lien being enforced in accordance with intergovernmental agreements between the authority and the political subdivision. The bid shall be given priority over all other bids regardless of the amount, except that a holder of a conventional mortgage on the property may purchase the property by tendering the highest bid.

(13) The authority may initiate an expedited quiet title and foreclosure action pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 33:4720.161(S) to quiet title to immovable property held by the authority, interests in property purchased by the authority at tax sales, or in formerly adjudicated properties acquired by the authority from a political subdivision.

  
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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:  June 11, 2025

# ACT 318

2025 Regular Session

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SENATE BILL NO. 50

BY SENATORS LUNEAU AND MORRIS

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 34:335.4(C), relative to the Central Louisiana Regional Port; to provide for requirements relative to the issuance of bonds; to remove certain parameters; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 34:335.4(C) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§335.4. Authority to levy and collect taxes; issuance of bonds

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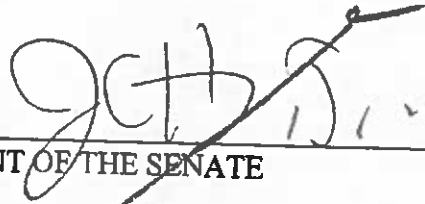
C. With the approval of the State Bond Commission, the board of commissioners may incur debts for its lawful purposes and issue in its name negotiable bonds or notes therefor and pledge for the payment of the principal and interest of such negotiable bonds or notes the revenues derived from the operation of properties and facilities maintained and operated by it or received by the board from any taxes authorized under this Section or from other sources; ~~however, the amount of such bonds or notes outstanding at any one time shall not exceed ten million dollars.~~ In addition to the pledge of revenues to secure the bonds and notes, the board of commissioners may further secure their payment by conventional mortgage upon any or all of the properties constructed or acquired or to be constructed or acquired by it. The board of commissioners also may receive, by gift, grant, donation, or otherwise, any sum of money, aid, or assistance from the United States, the state of Louisiana, or any political subdivision thereof, and, unless otherwise provided by the terms of such gift, grant, or donation, in its discretion may

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pledge all or any part of such monies for the further securing of the payment of the principal and interest of its bond or notes.

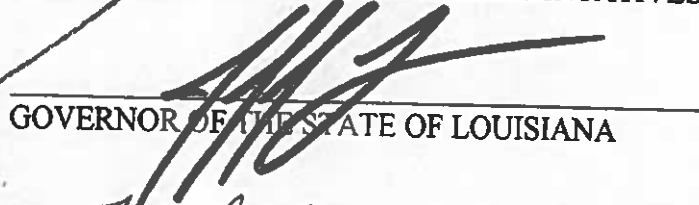
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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE



SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: *Angélique Frel June 11, 2025*

# ACT 216

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2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 676 (Substitute for House Bill No. 301 by Representative Domangue)

BY REPRESENTATIVE DOMANGUE

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 34:843(A)(1) and 852.23 and to enact R.S. 34:843(E) through (G), relative to abandoned vessels; to require the promulgation of rules and regulations for abandoned vessels; to authorize for removal by third parties; to provide a rebuttable presumption of ownership; to provide a process for notification to lien holders; to provide relative to consent of property owners for purposes of entering onto private property; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 34:843(A)(1) and 852.23 are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 34:843(E) through (G) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

§843. Objects; removal; disposition

A.(1) The owner of any tug, towboat, barge, watercraft, ship, vessel, equipment, machinery, or any object of any kind or description, whether foreign or domestic, which has been left unattended, stored, junked, or abandoned in any canal, coulee, drainage ditch, outfall canal, bayou, bay, lake, or any other waterway, whether navigable or not, or on the banks thereof within the state of Louisiana, or the owner of any such object moored or tied off in a drainage ditch or canal, or in an outfall canal shall ~~present a plan as provided herein to remove the object from the waterway or bank within thirty days after receipt of a written notice by certified mail from the federal, state, or local governing authority having jurisdiction thereof, hereinafter referred to as "authority", to remove the object.~~ Concurrently with the giving of any notice to an owner, the authority shall provide written notice by certified mail to each holder of a properly filed and perfected ship mortgage filed



1 subject to titling pursuant to the Vessel and Motor Titling Act, R.S. 34:852.1 et seq.,  
2 or is subject to registration through the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

3 (2) Parties to obtain information regarding the identity of all holders of  
4 security interests or preferred ship mortgages encumbering any vessel which has  
5 been deemed abandoned and has been issued a certificate of documentation by the  
6 United States Coast Guard under 46 U.S.C. 121 or issued a title by the Department  
7 Wildlife and Fisheries pursuant to the Vessel and Motor Titling Act, R.S. 34:852.1  
8 et seq.

9 (3) Parties to obtain a salvage title and for selling any abandoned vessel that  
10 has been recovered.


11 (4) Notifying new registrants that they will be deemed as the owner and be  
12 held responsible if the vessel is deemed abandoned.


13 G. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to authorize entry onto private  
14 property without consent of the property owner.


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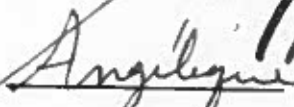
16 §852.23. Titling abandoned and salvaged vessels and outboard motors

17 The department is ~~authorized to~~ shall adopt rules and regulations pursuant to  
18 the Administrative Procedure Act to establish guidelines and procedures for the  
19 registration and titling of vessels or outboard motors which are abandoned, salvaged,  
20 towed and stored abandoned vessels, court ordered transferred, and vessels or  
21 outboard motors which lack prior documentation of ownership.

  
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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

  
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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

  
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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED:  Angelique Fred June 8, 2025

# ACT 415

2025 Regular Session

ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 85

BY SENATOR WHEAT AND REPRESENTATIVE THOMPSON

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 34:851.4(A)(17), 851.14.1(A), 851.27(B)(1) and (3) and (C), and <sup>(Intro. Par.)</sup> and R.S. 38:3086.24(F)(2)(a) and to enact R.S. 34:851.27(B)(10), <sup>and (C)(3)</sup> relative to operation of watercraft; to provide for requirements of careless operation; to provide for emergency closure of waterways; to provide for parish authority, to provide for posting of no-wake zones, to provide for state authority, to provide for enforcement, to provide for powers of the Bayou Lafourche Fresh Water District; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 34:851.4(A)(17), 851.14.1(A), and 851.27(B)(1) and (3) and (C) <sup>(Intro. Par.)</sup> are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 34:851.27(B)(10) <sup>and (C)(3)</sup> is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§851.4. Careless operation of a watercraft

A. Careless operation of a watercraft is the operation of a watercraft in a careless manner so as to endanger the life, limb, or property of any person, when such operation constitutes a violation of any of the following requirements:

\* \* \*

(17) No person shall, under any circumstances, operate a vessel in excess of an established speed or ~~wake~~ no-wake zone.

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§851.14.1. Closure of waterways

A. In an emergency or disaster, as defined in R.S. 29:723, the secretary may close any waterway, other than navigable waters of the United States as set forth in 33 CFR Part 2, to boating access, travel, or use or may restrict the type of use including issuing ~~no-wake~~ no-wake zones in any reasonable manner. Such closure

1 or restriction shall be for a period of time not to extend beyond the seventh day  
2 following the next meeting of the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission.

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4 §851.27. Local regulations prohibited; exceptions; speed limits; no-wake zones

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6 B.(1) The governing authority of any parish or municipality may establish  
7 and post speed limits and no-wake zones on waterways within its jurisdiction with  
8 the exception of the Mississippi River, the Mississippi River Gulf Outlet, and the  
9 Gulf Intracoastal Waterway. Such speed limits and no-wake zones, if established,  
10 shall be posted along the affected waterway. A no-wake zone established under  
11 this Paragraph shall not extend beyond three hundred feet from any physical  
12 structure situated along the banks. Any no-wake zone established under this  
13 Paragraph that affects the entire width of a waterway shall not exceed one mile  
14 in length.

15 \* \* \*

16 (3) Speed limits and no-wake zones established under this Section shall be  
17 enforced by the sheriffs, local law enforcement officers, state police and by  
18 permanent status wildlife agents and duly commissioned wildlife agents and officers  
19 who shall have the power to make arrests for purposes of such enforcement.

20 \* \* \*

21 (10) No state law, rule, or regulation establishing, limiting, or prohibiting  
22 no-wake zones shall be preempted by a no-wake zone established by the  
23 governing authority of a parish or municipality under the provisions of this  
24 Section.

25 C. In addition to speed limits and no-wake zones established by any  
26 governing authority of any parish or municipality under the provisions of this  
27 Section, there are hereby established certain "~~no-wake~~" no-wake zones where each  
28 vessel shall operate at bare steerage speed, the slowest speed the vessel can travel  
29 while allowing the operator to maintain directional control of the vessel to produce  
30 the minimum water surface turbulence. The "~~no-wake~~" no-wake zones are

1 established on all waterways within three hundred feet of any of the following  
2 facilities:

3 \* \* \*

4 (3) A public bridge.

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6 Section 2. R.S. 38:3086.24(F)(2)(a) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as  
7 follows:

8 §3086.24. Powers

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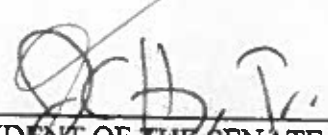
10 F.(1) In order to accomplish the purposes of the district, the board may make  
11 and enforce such rules, regulations, and ordinances it shall deem necessary:

12 \* \* \*

13 (2) Notwithstanding R.S. 34:851.27 or any other provision of law to the  
14 contrary, and upon a declaration of an emergency by the board that the size and  
15 speed of watercraft traveling through the waterway needs to be regulated to protect  
16 the integrity of the banks of the waterway due to low water levels or due to another  
17 event causing the banks to be in peril of erosion or instability, the board may:

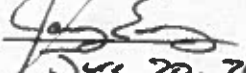
18 (a) Implement and enforce a "no-wake" no-wake zone where each watercraft  
19 shall operate at bare stearage speed, the slowest speed the watercraft can travel while  
20 allowing the operator to maintain directional control of the watercraft to produce the  
21 minimum water surface turbulence.

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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:   
Jul 20, 2025

# ACT 334

2025 Regular Session

ENROLLED

SENATE BILL NO. 146

BY SENATORS JACKSON-ANDREWS, BARROW, BOUDREAUX, CARTER,  
CATHEY, MORRIS AND WOMACK AND REPRESENTATIVE  
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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 34:1503(C) and 1504(C), relative to the Lake Providence Port Commission; to provide relative to the powers of the commission; to provide relative to the issuance of bonds by the commission; to provide relative to limitations; to provide relative to obligations of the commission; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 34:1503(C) and 1504(C) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1503. Rights and powers of the board

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C. The commission shall regulate the commerce, and traffic, within such port area in such a manner as may, in its judgment, be for the best interests of the state. It shall have charge of and administer public wharves, docks, sheds and landings, and shall have authority to construct or acquire and equip wharves and landings, and other structures useful for the commerce of the port area, and provide mechanical facilities therefor; to erect sheds or other structures on said wharves and landings; to maintain proper depths of water at all such wharves and landings; to provide light, water, police protection and other services for its facilities as it may deem advisable; to construct or acquire, maintain and operate basins, locks, canals, warehouses and elevators; to charge for the use of all facilities administered by it, and for all services rendered by it, such fees, rates, tariffs, or other charges as it may establish; and to

1 establish harbor lines within the port area by agreement with the corps of engineers;  
 2 and to Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection A of this Section, the  
 3 commission is hereby authorized to acquire, construct, own, operate and maintain  
 4 terminal rail facilities, and other common carrier rail facilities, including rail  
 5 facilities that are physically located beyond the boundaries and limits of East  
 6 Carroll Parish, for the purpose of rendering rail transportation to and from the port  
 7 area. ~~facilities to be erected, owned and operated by the commission in both~~  
 8 ~~intrastate and interstate commerce.~~ The legislature may confer additional powers  
 9 upon the commission not inconsistent with the provisions hereof; provided, however,  
 10 that it shall not impair any contracts lawfully entered into by the commission. Title  
 11 to all property and improvements thereon operated by the commission shall vest in  
 12 the state of Louisiana.

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§1504. Authority for issuance of bonds; levy of taxes; election

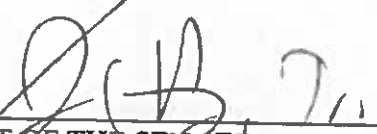
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16 C. The commission, with the approval of the State Bond Commission, is  
 17 authorized to incur debts for its lawful purposes, and to issue in its name, negotiable  
 18 bonds or notes therefor, and to pledge for the payment of the principal and interest  
 19 of such negotiable bonds or notes the revenues derived from the operation of  
 20 properties and facilities maintained and operated by it, or received by the  
 21 commission from any taxes authorized under this Section or from other sources;  
 22 ~~provided, however, that the amount of such bonds or notes outstanding at any one~~  
 23 ~~time shall not exceed fifteen million dollars. Such bonds, when authorized to be~~  
 24 ~~issued, shall constitute, first, a general obligation of the commission, and secondly,~~  
 25 ~~the full faith and credit of the parish of East Carroll and the state of Louisiana shall~~  
 26 ~~be and are hereby pledged.~~ In addition to the pledge of revenues to secure said bonds  
 27 and notes, the commission may further secure their payment by conventional  
 28 mortgage upon any or all of the properties constructed or acquired, or to be  
 29 constructed and acquired by it. The commission is further authorized to receive, by  
 30 gift, grant, donation or otherwise, any sum of money, aid or assistance from the

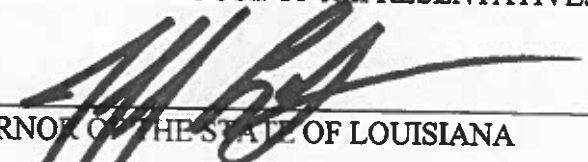
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United States, the state of Louisiana, or any political subdivision thereof, and unless otherwise provided by the terms of such gift, grant or donation, in its discretion, to pledge all or any part of such monies for the further securing of the payment of the principal and interest of its bonds or notes.

Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

  
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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: *Angeline Freil June 11, 2025*

# ACT 333

2025 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 144

BY SENATOR WOMACK

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 34:1862(C), relative to the Vidalia Port Commission; to provide relative to the issuance of bonds by the commission; to provide relative to limitations; to provide relative to obligations of the commission; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 34:1862(C) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1862. Authority for issuance of bonds; levy of taxes; election

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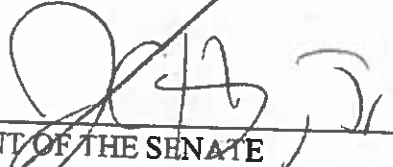
C. The commission, with the approval of the State Bond Commission, is authorized to incur debts for its lawful purposes, and to issue in its name, negotiable bonds or notes therefor, and to pledge for the payment of the principal and interest of such negotiable bonds or notes the revenues derived from the operation of properties and facilities maintained and operated by it, or received by the commission from any taxes authorized under this Section or from other sources; ~~provided, however, that the amount of such bonds or notes outstanding at any one time shall not exceed fifteen million dollars. Such bonds, when authorized to be issued, shall constitute, first, a general obligation of the commission, and secondly, the full faith and credit of the city of Vidalia is hereby pledged.~~ In addition to the pledge of revenues to secure said bonds and notes, the commission may further secure their payment by conventional mortgage upon any or all of the properties constructed or acquired, or to be constructed and acquired by it. The commission is further authorized to receive, by gift, grant, donation, or otherwise, any sum of money, aid or assistance from the United States, the state of Louisiana, or any political subdivision thereof, and unless otherwise provided by the terms of such gift, grant or donation, in its discretion, to pledge all or any part of such monies for the further securing of the payment of the principal and interest of its bonds or notes.


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Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

  
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# ACT 335

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SENATE BILL NO. 147

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 34:2285, relative to the Tensas Parish Port, Harbor and Terminal District; to provide relative to the issuance of bonds; to provide relative to limitations and obligations; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 34:2285 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§2285. Issuance of bonds

A. The district, acting by and through the commission, with the approval of the State Bond ~~and Tax Board~~ Commission, is authorized to incur debts for its lawful purposes, and to issue in its name negotiable bonds or notes therefor, and to pledge for the payment of the principal and interest of such negotiable bonds or notes the revenues derived from the operation of properties and facilities maintained and operated by it or received by the commission from any taxes authorized under this Chapter or from other sources; ~~provided, however, that the amount of such bonds or notes outstanding at any one time shall not exceed fifteen million dollars.~~

<sup>(1)</sup> B. No such bonds shall run for a longer period than forty years from the date ~~of issuance thereof, or bear a greater rate of interest than five per centum per annum payable annually or semi-annually, or be sold for less than par. Such bonds shall become due and payable in annual installments beginning not more than three years after the date of issuance.~~

<sup>(2)</sup> Should the commission neglect or fail for any reason to impose or collect the

1 taxes for the payment of the principal and interest of any such bonds, any person in  
2 interest shall have a cause of action, enforceable in any court having jurisdiction of  
3 the subject matter, to enforce the imposition and collection of such taxes.

4 (3) In addition to the pledge of revenues derived from taxes, the commission may  
5 pledge for the payment of the principal and interest of such bonds, the revenues  
6 derived from the operation of properties and facilities maintained and operated by  
7 it, or received by the commission from other sources. The commission is authorized  
8 to pledge for the further securing of the payment of the principal and interest of such  
9 bonds, all or any part of any moneys received by the commission from the United  
10 States, the <sup>S</sup>State of Louisiana, or any political subdivision thereof, by gift, grant,  
11 donation or otherwise, unless otherwise provided by the terms of such gift, grant or  
12 donation. In addition to the pledge of revenues to secure said bonds, above stated,  
13 the commission may further secure their payment by conventional mortgage upon  
14 any or all of the properties constructed or acquired or to be constructed or acquired  
15 by it.

16 ~~Such bonds shall constitute first, a general obligation of the commission, and~~  
17 ~~secondly, the full faith and credit of the Parish of Tensas shall be and are hereby~~  
18 ~~pledged.~~

19 (4) Such bonds shall be authorized by a resolution of the commission and shall  
20 be of such series, bear such date or dates, be in such denominations, be in such form,  
21 either coupon or fully registered without coupons, carry such registration and  
22 exchangeability privilege, be payable in such medium of payment and at such place  
23 or places and be subject to such terms of redemption ~~at par~~ as such resolution may  
24 provide. The bonds shall be signed by such officers as the commission shall  
25 determine, and coupon bonds shall have attached thereto interest coupons bearing the  
26 facsimile signatures of the officer or officers of the district it designates. Any such  
27 bonds may be issued and delivered, notwithstanding that one or more of the officers  
28 signing such bonds or the officer or officers, whose facsimile signature or signatures  
29 may be upon the coupons, shall have ceased to be such officer or officers at the time  
30 the bonds shall actually have been delivered.

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Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval.

  
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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

  
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# ACT 136

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2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 94

BY REPRESENTATIVE LACOMBE AND SENATOR WOMACK

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AN ACT

To repeal Chapter 44 of Title 34 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 34:3281 through 3286, relative to the West Feliciana Parish Port Commission; to abolish the West Feliciana Parish Port Commission; to repeal all powers and duties of the commission; and to provide that the governing authority of West Feliciana Parish will become the successor of the commission for any unfinished business.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of Louisiana.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. Chapter 44 of Title 34 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 34:3281 through 3286, is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Section 2. On the effective date of this Act, the governing authority of West Feliciana Parish shall become the successor to the West Feliciana Parish Port Commission. All unfinished business, documents, money, movable and immovable property, and books and records of the port commission shall be transferred to the parish governing authority. Any legal proceeding to which the port commission is a party and which is filed, initiated, or pending before any court on the effective date of this Act, and all documents involved in


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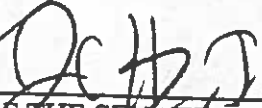
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or affected by said legal proceeding, shall retain their effectiveness and shall be continued  
in the name of the parish governing authority. All obligations of the port commission shall  
be the obligations of the parish governing authority.

  
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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

  
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