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Senate President appoints Senator Reese to Co-chair Water Sector Commission

June 28, 2021 - State Senator Mike Reese, R-Leesville, has been appointed as member and co-chair of the newly created Water Sector Commission. In accordance with Act 410 of the 2021 Regular Legislative Session, the Water Sector Commission was created to review applications submitted pursuant to the Water Sector Program, and make recommendations for funding to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget. The Legislature appropriated \$300,000,000.00 of the American Rescue Plan received by Louisiana for these water and sewer system investments.

Senator Reese said, "I appreciate the opportunity to work together with my other colleagues in the House and Senate serving on the Water Sector Commission to make targeted investments in our water and sewer systems pursuant to the guidelines adopted in Act 410. This is a unique opportunity to use these one-time federal resources on critical infrastructure that our citizens rely on throughout the state."

The first meeting of the Water Sector Commission was held Monday, June 21, 2021, topics discussed included the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 enacted by Congress, eligible water, sewer and drainage projects in HB 2 and guidance for the Water Sector Program.