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SENATOR J.P. MORRELL ISSUES STATEMENT REGARDING HIS COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS FOR THE 2012 - 2016 LEGISLATIVE TERM

District 3 State Senator Jean-Paul "J.P." Morrell (D-New Orleans) assumes a new leadership position in the senate as the Chairman of the Senate Judiciary B Committee for the 2012 - 2016 legislative term. In addition to Sen. Morrell's new chairmanship, he will remain a member of the Senate Revenue and Fiscal Affairs, Insurance, and Natural Resources Committees. He issues this statement in regard to his appointments:

"I am profoundly honored to be given the opportunity to serve as Chairman of the Judiciary B Committee to work with law enforcement across the state in the war against crime, especially in the fight against the murder pandemic in the Greater New Orleans area. I look forward to introducing wide spread criminal justice reform to make sure those individuals that put our families, the elderly and children in danger get put away for a very, very long time.

In regard to my appointment to the Senate Natural Resources Committee - coastal protection is the number one issue for St. Bernard and Jefferson Parishes. I will fight to make sure that adequate dollars are spent on our coast.

Regarding my appointment to the Senate Insurance Committee - the cost of insurance across the entire southeast region remains entirely too high. I will work diligently to lower these costs.

I look forward to working to increase the quality of life for all residents in Southeast Louisiana and the state as a whole over the next four years through my various appointments."

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