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STATE SENATOR MORRELL ISSUES STATEMENT
RE: SENATE BILL 47 RECEIVES COMMITTEE APPROVAL

District 3 State Senator J.P. Morrell's Senate Bill 47 passed out of the Senate Local and Municipal Affairs committee today and now heads to the full Senate for approval. The following is a statement from Sen. Morrell regarding the measure, which reforms the New Orleans Sewerage and Water Board:

As the Author of the Sewerage and Water Board Reform legislation, I'd like to state the following:

Today was the completion of an important milestone in our efforts to reform the New Orleans Sewerage and Water Board. I'd like to thank Senator Peterson for her leadership and insight regarding her amendments today. Any effort to improve this bill in regards to inclusion and transparency is always welcomed.

However, make no mistake, this long overdue measure will go through the process this year, the citizens of New Orleans demand it.

As Stan Lee (or Voltaire, if your splitting hairs) once said, "With Great Power Comes Great Responsibility." The stakeholders in our city have agreed to the largest rate hike in our city's history to remediate our ailing sewerage and water infrastructure. They expect, and deserve, the highest accountability possible in regards to how their money is managed and spent.

*Senator J.P. Morrell
District 3*

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