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Senators Bennett and Dockery moved the following amendment:

Senate Amendment

On page 38, line 5 through page 39, line 31, delete those lines

and insert:

(11) COMPREHENSIVE BUSINESS PLAN.--

(a) A comprehensive business plan for the management and operation of the preserve as a working ranch and amendments to the business plan may be developed only with input from the department and the commission, and may be implemented by Babcock Ranch, Inc., only upon expiration of the management agreement to be executed by the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund, and Babcock Ranch Management, LLC, a limited liability corporation registered to do business in this state.

(b) Any final decision of Babcock Ranch, Inc., to adopt or amend the comprehensive business plan or to approve any activity related to the management of the renewable surface resources of the preserve shall be made in sessions

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1 that are open to the public. The board of directors shall
 2 establish procedures for providing adequate public information
 3 and opportunities for public comment on the proposed
 4 comprehensive business plan for the preserve or for amendments
 5 to the comprehensive business plan adopted by the members.

6 (c) Not less than 2 years prior to the corporation's
 7 assuming management and operation responsibilities for the
 8 preserve, the corporation, with input from the commission and
 9 the department, must begin developing the comprehensive
 10 business plan to carry out the purposes of this section. To
 11 the extent consistent with these purposes, the comprehensive
 12 business plan shall provide for:

13 1. The management and operation of the preserve as a
 14 working ranch;

15 2. The protection and conservation of the
 16 environmental, agricultural, scientific, scenic, geologic,
 17 watershed, fish, wildlife, historic, cultural, and
 18 recreational values of the preserve;

19 3. The promotion of high-quality hunting experiences
 20 for the public, with emphasis on deer, turkey, and other game
 21 species;

22 4. Multiple use and sustained yield of renewable
 23 surface resources within the preserve;

24 5. Public use of and access to the preserve for
 25 recreation; and

26 6. The use of renewable resources and management
 27 alternatives that, to the extent practicable, benefit local
 28 communities and small businesses and enhance the coordination
 29 of management objectives with those on surrounding public or
 30 private lands. The use of renewable resources and management
 31 alternatives should provide cost savings to the corporation

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1 through the exchange of services, including, but not limited
2 to, labor and maintenance of facilities, for resources or
3 services provided to the corporation.

4 (d) On or before the date on which title to the
5 portion of the Babcock Crescent B Ranch being purchased by the
6 state is vested in the Board of Trustees of the Internal
7 Improvement Trust Fund, Babcock Ranch Management, LLC, a
8 limited liability company incorporated in this state, shall
9 provide the commission and the department with the current
10 proprietary management plan and business plan in place for the
11 operation of the ranch.

12 (e) The comprehensive business plan for the preserve
13 shall be consistent with the management practices taking place
14 on the Babcock Crescent B Ranch prior to the state taking
15 title to the land except as otherwise provided in this
16 section.

17 (f) To achieve the goal of a financially
18 self-sustaining operation, the comprehensive business plan
19 must preserve to the maximum extent practicable environmental
20 resources and wildlife habitats found on the preserve.

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