Executive Department

Executive Order Number JBE 19-2

Offender Labor

Whereas, Louisiana Revised Statute 15:832.1 was enacted by Act No. 933 of the 1988 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature relative to correctional facilities offender labor;

Whereas, as amended, La. R.S. 15:832.1 permits the governor to authorize the use of offender labor in certain projects or maintenance or repair work; and

Whereas, upon determining that it is appropriate and in furtherance of the rehabilitation and training of offenders, the governor may issue an executive order to authorize the use of offenders of a penal or correctional facility owned by the State of Louisiana for necessary labor in connections with a particular project.

Now therefore I, John Bel Edwards, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order and direct as follows:

Section 1: In furtherance of the goals of the State of Louisiana of supporting positive offender welfare, rehabilitating offenders, reducing recidivism, and reintegrating offenders into society, offender labor is hereby authorized for construction of a certain offender reception and diagnostic center at Raymond Laborde Correctional Center, Cottonport, Louisiana.

Section 2: This Order is effective upon signature and shall continue in effect until amended, modified, terminated, or rescinded by the governor, or terminated by operation of law.

In witness whereof, I have set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 14th day of March, 2019.

[Signature]

Governor of Louisiana

Attest by the
Secretary of State

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Secretary of State