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Lien Law Modernization Clears the First Hurdle in Louisiana

The [Louisiana Self Storage Facility Act](#) was enacted in 1981. Much has changed in the 35 years since, and members of the Louisiana State Senate agreed that modernization was well overdue. Without objection, the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and International Affairs approved [SB 128](#) and sent the measure to the full Senate for consideration. The committee is chaired by the lead sponsor of SB 128, Senator Daniel R. Martiny (R-LA-10).

Testifying in favor were Lana Griffin, interim president of the [Louisiana Self Storage Association \(SSALA\)](#); Lonnie Bickford, former board member of the SSALA; and Marcus Dunn, director of government relations for the national Self Storage Association. The hearing can be viewed at the [Louisiana State Legislature's website](#). Nobody testified in opposition of the bill.

"This has been a great effort by the SSALA, the SSA and other stakeholders," said Tim Dietz, president and CEO of the national SSA. "While we were unable to remove the requirement to publish notices in the newspaper, this bill contains six of the seven priorities we generally pursue and if adopted will greatly benefit the owners and operators in Louisiana as well as tenants."

The full Senate is expected to vote on the bill today, April 11th.

About the Self Storage Association (SSA)

Headquartered in Alexandria, VA, the Self Storage Association (SSA) is the only national not-for-profit trade organization for the industry and the registered lobbying organization before the U.S. Congress and federal agencies. SSA is the official voice of the \$24 billion (revenues) self storage industry that currently numbers 48,500 self storage facilities nationwide. For more information about the national Self Storage Association, please visit our Web site at www.selfstorage.org.

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