

## Storify: Reaction to Jindal killing lawsuit against Big Oil

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There was a bit of legal and political gamesmanship between the time the Louisiana Legislature approved Senate Bill 469 and Gov. Bobby Jindal signed it into law today. His pen stroke effectively kills a levee board's attempts to hold the energy industry accountable for damage to Louisiana's coastline that it attributes to oil and gas exploration and production.

Most observers expected the governor to OK the measure, even in the face of growing opposition from local leaders.



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The interim period provided him the opportunity to vet the bill with Attorney General Buddy Caldwell, whose opinion was that Jindal should not sign it because of its potential to limit local governments from raising similar challenges. Caldwell's letter to Jindal was written Tuesday, and the governor's executive counsel, Thomas Enright Jr., issued a memorandum the next day disagreeing with Caldwell's stance.

The governor's office released the [memo](#) today but has refrained from issuing a statement with a direct explanation or comments from the governor. Such releases have been common after the governor signs or vetoes a high-profile, but none appeared forthcoming heading into the weekend.



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Perhaps someone in S. Carolina can get statement about #SB469 from @BobbyJindal; he'll be there this weekend [bit.ly/UhCvEw](http://bit.ly/UhCvEw)

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