

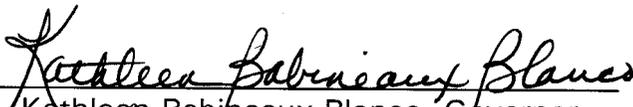
LOSS PREVENTION POLICY STATEMENT

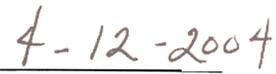
As Governor of the State of Louisiana, I am committed to providing a work environment and working conditions that will be as accident free as possible for all employees as well as for the general public who utilize our facilities. To accomplish this goal, the State of Louisiana shall comply with federal and state statutes, directives, and regulations by developing, implementing, and maintaining the best feasible operations, procedures, technology, and policies to provide such conditions.

The state shall base its practices on the principles of least acceptable risk as defined by the Loss Prevention Unit of the Office of Risk Management.

To fulfill these goals, the following is directed:

- All state department, agency, boards and commissions heads are held responsible and accountable for compliance with the state's loss prevention programs as provided by the Loss Prevention Unit of the Office of Risk Management.
- All employees of the state shall be made aware of the loss prevention programs and how they directly affect their positions and their duties. Attention to health and safety issues shall be a condition of employment for all state employees. The basic responsibility for health and safety rests with the individual.
- Employee exposure to all known or suspected occupational health and safety risks must be reduced as quickly as governmental regulations, technology and economic feasibility allow. Controlling and eliminating undesirable risks and hazards must be given top priority when budgeting and financial planning take place.
- All state department, agency, boards and commissions heads shall designate one employee to serve as safety coordinator. This employee shall direct the entity's safety program and act as liaison with the Office of Risk Management.


Kathleen Babineaux Blanco, Governor
State of Louisiana


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