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**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2025 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to Engrossed House Bill No. 649 by Representative Ventrella

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1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "reenact" delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 3 and  
3 on line 4, delete "facilities within the parish; to provide" and insert the following:  
4 "R.S. 33:4570.1,"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 2

6 On page 1, line 5, after "Rouge;" delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 6  
7 through 10 and insert the following: "to provide for annual reporting by the  
8 commission to each municipality as to the funds received from and expended to each  
9 municipality; to provide"

10 AMENDMENT NO. 3

11 On page 1, line 16, after "Section 1." delete the remainder of the line and delete line  
12 17 and insert the following; " R.S. 33:4570.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:"

13 AMENDMENT NO. 4

14 Delete pages 2 through 8 in their entirety and insert the following:

15        "§4570.1. Board of commissioners; officers; quorum; employees  
16            A. The commission shall be composed of ~~three~~ five ex officio members  
17 and ~~six~~ four appointed members for a total of nine commissioners. The ex  
18 officio members shall be the ~~mayor-president, or an officer or employee of the~~  
19 ~~city or parish designated by the mayor-president from time to time; a member~~  
20 ~~of the school board of East Baton Rouge Parish, designated by the school~~  
21 ~~board for a term coincident with his term on the school board; and a member~~  
22 ~~of the planning commission designated by the planning commission for a term~~  
23 ~~coincident with his term on the planning commission.~~ mayors of the following  
24 municipalities: Baker, Baton Rouge, Central, St. George, and Zachary. Each  
25 mayor may designate a person to serve in his place as a member of the  
26 commission. Each designee shall serve at the pleasure of the designating  
27 mayor. The ex officio members shall serve during their terms of office. The  
28 four appointed members shall be qualified voters of the parish appointed by  
29 the ~~metropolitan council~~ governing authority of the city of Baton Rouge,  
30 parish of East Baton Rouge for terms of three years. Of the four appointed  
31 members, at least two shall be residents of the city of Baton Rouge, and at  
32 least one shall be a resident of the unincorporated area of East Baton Rouge  
33 Parish. Following the release of each federal decennial census, the commission  
34 may, by majority vote, reallocate these designated residency requirements to  
35 reflect the changes in population distribution across the parish. Any such  
36 reallocation shall apply prospectively and shall not alter the term of any sitting  
37 member. Vacancies shall be filled by the designating or appointing ~~body~~  
38 ~~for the unexpired portion of the term~~ authority. All commission members shall  
39 serve without compensation.  
40            B. The commission shall elect from ~~the six appointed~~ its members a  
41 chairman, a vice chairman, and a treasurer whose terms of office shall be one  
42 year. ~~Four~~ Five members shall constitute a quorum of the commission for all  
43 purposes. The commission shall have the power and authority to name and

1 employ a person who shall be designated as superintendent of the commission,  
2 who shall not be a member of the commission, and who shall be ex officio  
3 secretary of the commission, and to prescribe and pay an annual salary to the  
4 superintendent.

5 C. The commission shall submit a written report annually to each  
6 municipality and to the state senators and representatives that represent these  
7 municipalities that provides the amount of funds received from taxpayers in  
8 each municipality, the amount of funds spent by BREC on facilities in each  
9 municipality, and the amount of money generated at BREC facilities in each  
10 municipality.

11 Section 2. The terms of the members of the Recreation and Park Commission  
12 for the Parish of East Baton Rouge in office on the effective date of this Act shall  
13 terminate on that date; however, the members shall remain in office until the  
14 commission members take office as provided in this Act. The members of the  
15 Recreation and Park Commission for the Parish of East Baton Rouge shall take office  
16 as provided in this Act and shall serve terms of office as provided in this Act.

17 Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or,  
18 if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law  
19 without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the  
20 Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by  
21 the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval."