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DIGEST

SB 137 Engrossed

2016 Regular Session

Barrow

Present law provides for certain boundaries of the Baton Rouge North Economic Development District.

Proposed law changes the boundaries of the Baton Rouge North Economic Development District to expand the boundaries to include a more northwest portion of East Baton Rouge Parish.

Present law provides for the board to consist of 13 members which includes a branch manager of a bank located within the district to be selected by a subcommittee formed by the board.

Proposed law retains present law except changes one of the board members from a branch manager of a bank located within the district to be selected by a subcommittee formed by the board to one urban designer or community developer to be selected by a subcommittee formed by the board.

Proposed law provides for the governing authority of East Baton Rouge Parish to levy and collect a two percent rent or fee charged for the occupancy of hotel rooms located within the boundaries of the district. Proposed law further provides that the tax is imposed by ordinance adopted by the governing authority.

Proposed law provides for the Baton Rouge North Economic Development District to use the proceeds of the tax for any of the district's lawful purposes and as provided by the ordinance dedicating the proceeds.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 33:2740.67(B) and (C)(1)(j); adds R.S. 33:2740.67(G))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs to the original bill

1. Changes boundaries of district.
2. Adds authorization of a hotel tax.