

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 63 (HB 56)

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Existing law creates and provides for the Goodwood Homesites Crime Prevention and Neighborhood Improvement District in East Baton Rouge Parish as a political subdivision of the state to aid in crime prevention and to add to the security of district residents by providing for an increase in the presence of law enforcement personnel in the district. Provides for district boundaries.

Existing law provides that the district shall be governed by an 11-member board of commissioners. New law modifies and retains board membership as follows:

- (1) Existing law provides that the president of the Goodwood Homesites Civic Assoc., Inc. (association) is a member.
- (2) Existing law provides that the board of directors of the association is an appointing authority. Prior law provided that it appointed six members. New law provides that it appoints two members.
- (3) Existing law provides that the member of the La. House of Representatives (House) whose district encompasses all or the greater portion of the area of the district is an appointing authority. Prior law provided that he appointed one board member. New law provides that he appoints three members.
- (4) Existing law provides that the member of the governing authority of the city of Baton Rouge, parish of East Baton Rouge (city-parish) whose council district encompasses all or the greater portion of the area of the district is an appointing authority. Prior law provided that he appointed one board member from nominations submitted by the association. New law provides that he appoints three members.
- (5) New law provides that the assessor for East Baton Rouge Parish appoints two members.
- (6) Prior law provided that the mayor-president of the city-parish appointed one member from a list of nominations submitted by the association and that the member of the La. Senate whose district encompasses all or the greater portion of the area of the district appointed one member. New law removes prior law.

Existing law provides that appointed members serve four-year staggered terms. New law provides that the terms of the members of the board in office on the effective date of new law shall terminate on that date. New law additionally provides that a board member may be removed for cause by a majority vote of the board.

Prior law required that the monies, funds, and accounts of the district be in the official custody of the board. New law instead requires that the monies, funds, and accounts be in the official custody of the board's treasurer.

Prior law authorized the governing authority of the city-parish to impose and collect a parcel fee within the district, subject to voter approval. Provided that the parcel fee expired five years after its initial levy. Authorized renewal of the fee, subject to voter approval, for a term not to exceed eight years.

New law instead authorizes the district, through its board, to impose and collect a parcel fee within the district, subject to voter approval. Provides that the fee expires at the time provided in the proposition authorizing the fee. Authorizes renewal, subject to voter approval, for a term not to exceed 10 years.

New law requires the city-parish to continue to impose and collect the parcel fee for the remainder of the period that it was authorized to do so by the voters. Provides that no property owner in the district shall be subject to an annual parcel fee, whether paid to the district or to the city-parish on behalf of the district, that exceeds the rate limit established either by law or by a proposition authorizing the imposition of the fee within the district.

Effective upon signature of governor (June 3, 2019).

(Amends R.S. 33:9097.20(D)(1), (3)(a), (6), and (7), (E)(9), and (F)(intro. para.), (1), and (5)(b); Adds R.S. 33:9097.20(D)(3)(d))