



Present law provides for the board to install and pay the cost to connect one sewer connection and one water connection extending from the respective main to the property line and from that point on, each must be made at the cost and expense of the owner of the property for a lot of record which existed prior to 1954.

Present law requires the property owner for all lots created after 1954, to bear all costs for connections extended from the sewer and water main to the property line, and any additionally costs from the property line to on-site facilities must be installed and maintained at the cost of the property owner.

Proposed law provides that each property owner may contract with a licensed plumber in the state of Louisiana for the installation of connections and any subsequent work, however all such work shall be subject to the regulation, inspection and control of the board. Proposed law further provides that if the work is performed by the board and a disruption of the water or sewer connection from the main to the property line is caused, the board will bear the cost of repairing the disrupted connection.

Present law requires for the board to make to the city council, in writing, a full and detailed report of its acts, doings, receipts, and expenditures, on or prior to the first day of May of each year. Additionally, present law provides that the board report quarterly, in September, December, March, and June to the city council relative to contracts let in the construction and repair of its public systems.

Present law requires the board to report quarterly no later than the first day of the second month following the close of each calendar quarter to the city council relative to its operations. The report shall include the following in a manner as prescribed by the city council:

- (1) Standard industry metrics for best practice.
- (2) Processes and indicators for prevention of waste or fraud.
- (3) Performance metrics for employees and contractors.
- (4) Benchmarks of success regarding improved coordination between the board and the Department of Public Works to ensure priority and resource alignment.
- (5) Report on the efficiency and effectiveness of information systems.
- (6) Detailed reports on assessment and status of technologies and operation programs and strategies for system redundancy and service improvements.
- (7) Detailed reports on assessment and status of operational reforms, capital improvement programs, and service assurance programs.

Present law provides for the Orleans Parish School Board to be exempt from water rates in certain

circumstances.

Proposed law deletes present law.

Proposed law retains present law and provides that the exemptions afforded to the Orleans Parish School Board may be superceded by a mutually agreed upon and executed cooperative endeavor agreement between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and the Orleans Parish School Board, wherein the terms of the cooperative endeavor agreement shall govern the rate and means by which public schools in Orleans Parish are charged for water and sewer services.

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

(Amends R.S. 33:4071(A)(1)(e), 4084(A)(1)(b) and (2) and (E), 4085(A) and (B), 4090, and 4091; adds R.S. 33:4084(A)(1)(c))