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Abstract: Authorizes W. Baton Rouge Parish to take certain actions regarding maintenance of private property.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes parish governing authorities to require property owners to cut grass on their property. If a property owner does not comply with such a requirement, <u>present law</u> requires a parish to request that a property owner cut grass on his property by sending a registered or certified letter. Authorizes a parish to have such work done and charge the property owner for the work if the property owner does not cut the grass within 15 days after receipt of the letter.

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes specified parishes to proceed with having grass cutting work done and charging the property owner for one year after a single registered or certified letter requesting that the property owner cut his grass. Requires such parishes to file an affidavit that includes:

- (1) A description of the property.
- (2) A photograph of the property identifying the unsafe conditions.
- (3) A statement that the property owner liable has within the past 12 months failed to do such work after notification and an opportunity to do so.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds W. Baton Rouge Parish to parishes authorized to cut grass and charge the property owner for a year after a single request and filing the required affidavit.

(Amends R.S. 33:1236.26(A))