

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 724

BY REPRESENTATIVE MILLER

DISTRICTS/SPECIAL: Provides relative to the collection of fees imposed by a stormwater management utility district located in St. Landry Parish

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 33:4161.2, relative to St. Landry Parish; to provide relative to a stormwater
3 management utility district created by the parish; to provide relative to fees imposed
4 by the district; to provide relative to the collection of fees; and to provide for related
5 matters.

6 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
7 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of
8 Louisiana.

9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

10 Section 1. R.S. 33:4161.2 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

11 §4161.2. Stormwater management utility districts; collection of fees; St. Landry
12 Parish

13 In addition to the authority granted pursuant to R.S. 33:4161.1(C)(2)(b), a
14 stormwater management utility district created by the governing authority of
15 St. Landry Parish may enter into a contract with any parish, municipality,
16 waterworks district, or other political subdivision, or private water company
17 operating a water system serving customers in the area served by the stormwater
18 management utility district, hereafter in this Section referred to as a "water provider",
19 and any water provider may enter into a contract with the stormwater management
20 utility district, which contract may contain terms and privileges as agreed upon by

1 the parties pursuant to which fees imposed by the stormwater management utility
 2 district shall be collected by the water provider or such contract may provide a
 3 procedure to enforce the collection of fees by an agreement to shut off the supply of
 4 water to any premises delinquent in the payment of fees imposed by the stormwater
 5 management utility district.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes a stormwater management utility district in St. Landry Parish to enter into a contract with certain entities operating a water system in the parish for the collection of fees.

Present law authorizes parishes and municipalities to create stormwater management utility districts as political subdivisions of the state to manage stormwater flooding. Authorizes the districts to create and operate one or more stormwater management utility systems within its boundaries.

Present law additionally authorizes the districts to levy fees, subject to voter approval, to aid in the planning, construction, acquisition, extension, improvement, operation, and maintenance, of stormwater management utility systems. Requires that the fees be imposed by resolution of the district's board. Requires that the resolution provide for the purpose, term, and amount of the fees. Authorizes the board to provide in the resolution necessary and appropriate rules and regulations for the imposition, collection, and enforcement of the fees.

Proposed law retains present law but grants additional authority to a stormwater management district in St. Landry Parish relative to the collection of fees. Authorizes the district to contract with any parish, municipality, waterworks district, or other political subdivision, or private water company operating a water system providing water service to customers in the district for the collection of fees. Provides relative to the terms of the contract, including a procedure to enforce the collection of fees by an agreement to shut off water service to any premises delinquent in the payment of fees.

(Adds R.S. 33:4161.2)