

- (1) To sue and be sued.
- (2) To adopt, use, and alter at will a corporate seal.
- (3) To receive and expend funds.
- (4) To enter into contracts for the provision of security patrols or other programs in the district.
- (5) To purchase items and supplies which the board deems instrumental to its purpose.
- (6) To perform or have performed any other function or activity necessary for the achievement of the purpose of the district.

Proposed law authorizes the governing authority of EBRP, subject to the approval of district voters, to impose and collect a parcel fee on each improved parcel within the district. The amount of such fee shall be as requested by the board, but shall not exceed \$25 per parcel per year. Further provides that the owner of the parcel shall be responsible for payment of the fee.

Proposed law requires that the election on the fee shall be held at a regularly scheduled primary or general election and that the fee shall expire four years from its initial levy but may be renewed. Further provides that the term of the imposition of the fee shall be stated in the proposition authorizing the fee during such renewals elections.

Proposed law provides for collection of the fee at the same time and in the same manner as ad valorem taxes are collected by the sheriff in EBRP. Provides for enforcement of collections in the same manner as the collection of ad valorem taxes are enforced. Requires EBRP to remit to the district all amounts collected not more than 60 days after collection except for a collection fee.

Proposed law requires that the board adopt an annual budget in accordance with present law. Further requires that the metropolitan council approve the budget. Provides that the district shall be subject to audit by the legislative auditor pursuant to present law.

Proposed law provides the purpose and intent of proposed law, specifically that the additional law enforcement personnel and their services provided for shall be supplemental to and not in lieu of personnel and services provided in the district by the city of Baton Rouge or EBRP. Also provides that if the district ceases to exist, any funds of the district shall be transmitted to the governing authority of EBRP and shall be used for law enforcement purposes in the district.

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

(Adds R.S. 33:9097.40)