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DIGEST

Peterson (SB 587)

Present law provides for the district to be governed by a five-member board of commissioners.

Proposed law retains present law five-member board, but replaces the two members appointed by the governing authority of the city of New Orleans with two additional members appointed by the Mid-City Neighborhood Organization.

Present law provides for one member to serve an initial term of one year, two members shall serve initial terms of two years; and two members shall serve an initial term of three years, as determined by lot at the first meeting of the board held after the members are appointed. Provides thereafter members shall serve three-year terms.

Proposed law deletes present law provisions regarding initial terms and adds a term limit of not more than two consecutive three-year terms.

Present law authorizes the board to set a flat fee per parcel for improved residential and commercial property. Provides for residential fees to be set between \$200 and \$250 and commercial fees to be set between \$300 and \$375 per parcel.

Proposed law retains present law, but removes the minimum amount for fees and adds that fees for residential parcels subject to the special assessment level provided in the Louisiana Constitution for certain elderly, veteran and disabled populations shall not exceed \$150.

Present law requires an election for the renewal of a parcel fee to be held at a regularly scheduled mayoral election in the city of New Orleans.

Proposed law requires a renewal election for a parcel fee to be held at the same time as a regularly scheduled municipal, state, or federal election.

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

(Amends R.S. 33:9091.14(D), (F)(1), (2) and (3)(c))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs to the original bill

1. Retains a five member board of commissioners.
2. Deletes the fee of \$100 for unimproved residential or commercial parcels.
3. Deletes the fee requirement for each municipal address assigned to an improved commercial parcel.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Requires the fee to be imposed on each improved parcel located within the district.