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Abstract: Relative to the Audubon Area Security District, provides relative to the membership of the district's governing board and the parcel fee imposed within the district.

Present law creates the Audubon Area Security District in Orleans Parish as a political subdivision for the purpose of promoting and encouraging security in and the beautification and overall betterment of the area included within the district.

Present law provides that the district shall be managed by a nine-member board of commissioners. Requires all members of the board to be residents of the district. Provides that the board shall be composed as follows:

- (1) The president of the Audubon Area Zoning Assoc.
- (2) Four members appointed by the board of directors of the Audubon Area Zoning Assoc.
- (3) One member appointed by the mayor of the city of New Orleans from a list of nominations submitted by the Audubon Area Zoning Assoc.
- (4) One member appointed by the state representative whose district encompasses the area from a list of nominations submitted by the Audubon Area Zoning Assoc.
- (5) One member appointed by the state senator whose district encompasses the area from a list of nominations submitted by the Audubon Area Zoning Assoc.
- (6) One member appointed by the member of the city council whose district encompasses the area from a list of nominations submitted by the Audubon Area Zoning Assoc.

Proposed law retains present law but provides that the president of the Audubon Area Zoning Assoc. may designate a member of the board of directors of the association to serve as a member of the governing board of the district.

Present law authorizes the governing authority of the city of New Orleans, subject to voter approval, to impose a parcel fee on behalf of the district. Provides that the fee is a flat fee per parcel of land not to exceed \$500 per year for each parcel for the calendar year 2009. Provides that the maximum fee amount shall be increased by \$25 per year for each calendar year after 2009.

Proposed law retains present law but increases the maximum rate of the fee from \$500 to \$550 per year per parcel, beginning in the calendar year 2019. Proposed law provides that the maximum fee amount may be increased by \$25 per year for each calendar year after 2019.

Present law provides that the fee shall be levied beginning on Jan. 1, 2009, and shall expire on Dec. 31, 2018.

Proposed law provides that the fee shall be levied beginning on Jan. 1, 2019. Provides further that the fee shall expire at the end of the term provided for in the proposition authorizing the fee, not to exceed 10 years.

Present law authorizes renewal of the fee, subject to voter approval. Requires the election for renewal of the fee to be held only at the same time as the mayoral primary election for the city of New Orleans. Proposed law retains present law but provides that the election for renewal of the fee shall be held at the same time as a regularly scheduled election in the city of New Orleans.

Present law provides that the maximum term for a renewal is eight years. Proposed law removes present law.

Provides that the provisions of the Act have no effect on the parcel fee being imposed within the Audubon Area Security District on the effective date of the Act. Provides that the fee shall continue to be imposed until it expires.

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

(Amends R.S. 33:9091.3(D)(1)(a) and (F)(1) and (3)(a) and (c))