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DIGEST

SB 80 Engrossed

2019 Regular Session

Carter

Present law provides for limited exemptions from ad valorem tax.

Proposed law authorizes the city of New Orleans to grant any owner of immovable property located within Orleans Parish an ad valorem tax exemption for the purpose of affordable housing.

Proposed law authorizes the New Orleans Office of Community Development, or its designee, to promulgate rules for determining the nature and amount of the ad valorem tax exemption and provides that the rules may be approved by the council of the city of New Orleans.

Proposed law authorizes rules to include programs to complement local inclusionary zoning policies and programs that assist with new construction or renovation of affordable units, expiring affordability of existing units, and programs to assist lower income homeowners.

Proposed law provides that property subject to an ad valorem tax exemption for affordable housing remain on the assessment rolls with the tax amount as determined by the exemption.

Proposed law provides that ad valorem tax exemptions granted by the city of New Orleans are transferable only if a transfer is provided for in the rules adopted by the New Orleans Office of Community Development or if the new owner is similarly situated.

Effective if and when the proposed addition of Article VII, Section 21(O) of the Constitution of Louisiana contained in the Act which originated as SB 79 of the 2019 RS is adopted at the statewide election to be held on October 12, 2019, and becomes effective.

(Adds R.S. 47:1716)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to  
the original bill

1. Provide for the type of programs to be authorized by rule.
2. Add citation to proposed constitutional amendment.