2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 444

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT

ENERGY: Provides for assessments levied by the Louisiana Liquified Petroleum Gas Commission

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1851(D) and (E)(2), relative to assessments; to provide for
3	assessments levied by the Louisiana Liquefied Petroleum Gas Commission; to
4	provide for proceeds of the assessment to an account maintained by the Department
5	of Culture, Recreation and Tourism; and to provide for related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. R.S. 40:1851(D) and (E)(2) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as
8	follows:
9	§1851. Assessment
10	* * *
11	D. The commission may deduct the expenses of collecting and administering
12	the assessment, including the expenses of conducting the referendum, from the
13	proceeds of the assessment. After making those deductions, the commission shall
14	deposit and maintain the proceeds of the assessment in a separate interest-bearing
15	account maintained by the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism in the
16	office of the lieutenant governor. If expenses are deducted, they will be deducted
17	each year for that year only and shall be limited to one percent of assessments
18	collected or a maximum of five hundred dollars, whichever is less.
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1	(2) All monies received or collected pursuant to R.S. 40:1851.1(A),
2	including any interest which may be earned on such monies, shall be deposited into
3	a separate interest-bearing account established and maintained by the commission
4	Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism in the office of the lieutenant
5	governor. All monies deposited shall be used exclusively for the purposes provided
6	for in R.S. 40:1851.1(B).
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DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for monies received from assessments to be deposited into an account maintained by the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism.

<u>Present law</u> provides for an assessment to be levied on the gross annual sales of liquefied petroleum gas of each person who holds a Class I, Class IV, or Class V permit. <u>Present law</u> provides that the commission shall deposit the proceeds of the assessments, after deducting collection and administration expenses, into a separate interest bearing account. <u>Proposed law</u> specifies the account to be maintained by the Dept. of Culture, Recreation and Tourism in the Lt. Governor's office.

<u>Present law</u> requires that monies received or collected pursuant to the assessments levied be deposited into a separate interest-bearing account maintained by the commission. <u>Proposed law</u> modifies <u>present law</u> by changing the account to one maintained by the Dept. of Culture, Recreation and Tourism in the Lt. Governor's office.

(Amends R.S. 40:1851(D) and (E)(2))