

2025 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 236

BY SENATOR EDMONDS

BLIGHTED PROPERTY. Provides for the demolition or removal of dilapidated and dangerous buildings or structures by the governing authority of a parish or municipality. (8/1/25)

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:4761(A) and (B), relative to removal of dangerous buildings or structures in parishes and municipalities; to provide relative to blighted property in the city of Baton Rouge and in the parish of East Baton Rouge; to provide relative to the authority to condemn, demolish, or remove dilapidated and dangerous buildings or structures; to provide with respect to the mayor-president; to provide for exceptions; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 33:4761(A) and (B) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

§4761. Condemnation of buildings by all parishes and municipalities

A. The governing authority of any parish or municipality may condemn and cause to be demolished or removed any building or structure within the parish or municipality when it is in a dilapidated and dangerous condition which endangers the public welfare.

B. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, in the city of Baton Rouge and parish of East Baton Rouge, the provisions of Subsection

1 **A of this Section shall be administered by the mayor-president of the city and**
2 **parish, or his designee.**

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Senate Legislative Services. The keyword, summary, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

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Present law (R.S. 33:4761) provides that the governing authority of any parish or municipality may condemn and cause to be demolished or removed any building or structure within the parish or municipality when it is in a dilapidated and dangerous condition which endangers the public welfare.

Proposed law retains present law but makes an exception for the city of Baton Rouge and EBRP to authorize the mayor-president or his designee, to condemn and cause to be demolished or removed any building or structure within the parish or municipality when it is in a dilapidated and dangerous condition.

Effective August 1, 2025.

(Adds R.S. 33:4761(A) and (B))