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Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE BILL NO. 106

BY REPRESENTATIVE DOVE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:4574.1.1(A)(introductory paragraph) and (12), relative to the Houma Area Convention and Visitors Bureau; to authorize an increase of the hotel occupancy tax that the bureau is authorized to levy; to provide relative to the use of the proceeds of the additional tax; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of Louisiana.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 33:4574.1.1(A)(introductory paragraph) and (12) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§4574.1.1. Occupancy taxes levied by the commissions

A. For the purposes set forth in <u>this Subsection or</u> Paragraph (F)(3) of this Section, a commission created pursuant to R.S. 33:4574(B) is authorized to levy and collect a tax upon the occupancy of hotel rooms, motel rooms, and overnight camping facilities within the jurisdiction of the commission. Such tax shall not exceed the following percentages of the rent or fee charged for such occupancy:

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(12)<u>(a)</u> Houma Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, three percent; provided that such rate may be increased to four percent as provided for in Subsection ~~B~~<u>G</u> of this Section.

<u>(b) In addition to taxes authorized by Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph, the Houma Area Convention and Visitors Bureau may levy an additional one percent tax if the levy of the additional tax is approved by a majority of the electors of</u>

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Terrebonne Parish who vote on a proposition authorizing the levy of the tax. The tourist commission may call an election for the purpose of submitting such a proposition to the voters. The proceeds of the tax authorized by this Subparagraph shall be used for recreational and tourism infrastructure.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____

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