
DIGEST

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HB No. 255

Abstract: Authorizes the city of Carencro, in Lafayette Parish, to levy and collect a hotel tax at a rate not to exceed 4%, subject to voter approval.

Proposed law authorizes the governing authority of Carencro (Lafayette Parish), subject to voter approval, to levy and collect a hotel occupancy tax. Provides that such tax shall not exceed 4% of the rent or fee charged for such occupancy.

Proposed law requires that the tax be paid by the person who exercises or is entitled to occupancy of the hotel room at the time the rent or fee for occupancy is paid. Authorizes the governing authority to contract with any public entity authorized to collect sales or use taxes for the collection of the hotel occupancy tax. Requires that the proceeds of the tax be used to fund the construction and maintenance of water and sewer infrastructure, economic development, and the promotion of tourism within the city.

(Adds R.S. 47:338.212)