
DIGEST

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HB No. 371

Abstract: Relative to the Kingswood Subdivision Improvement District, changes the expiration date of the parcel fee levied within the district and provides for the renewal of the fee.

Present law creates and provides for the Kingswood Subdivision Improvement District in Orleans Parish as a political subdivision of the state for the primary object and purpose of promoting and encouraging the beautification, security, and overall betterment of the Kingswood Subdivision. Provides for the district's boundaries, governance, and powers and duties.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law authorizes the governing authority of the city of New Orleans, subject to voter approval, to levy and collect a parcel fee upon each parcel of taxable real property within the district. Provides that the fee shall not exceed \$240 per parcel per year.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that the fee shall be levied initially for a term not to exceed nine years and shall expire on Dec. 31 of the year of a mayoral election.

Proposed law instead provides that the fee shall expire on Dec. 31, 2022.

Present law authorizes renewal of the fee for a term not to exceed eight years. Requires that any election to authorize renewal of the fee be held only at the same time as the mayoral primary election.

Proposed law retains present law relative to the term of renewal but instead requires that any election to authorize renewal be held at the same time as a regularly scheduled election in the city of New Orleans.

Proposed law provides that the provisions of proposed law shall not affect the parcel fee being levied within the district on the effective date of proposed law. Requires the governing authority of the city of New Orleans to continue to levy the parcel fee until it expires, as provided in the proposition approved by a majority of the district's registered voters voting on the proposition at an election held on Nov. 17, 2007. Further requires the governing authority of the city to begin to levy a parcel fee as provided in proposed law, if approved by a majority of the district's registered voters as provided in proposed law.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 33:9079(A) and (E)(1)(d))