
DIGEST

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Abstract: Creates neighborhood improvement and beautification districts in certain parishes. Provides for the purpose, governance, and funding of such districts.

Proposed law authorizes the governing authority of any parish with a population of not less than 275,000 persons and not more than 435,000 persons to create, by ordinance, a neighborhood improvement and beautification district within any neighborhood located within the parish to promote and encourage the improvement, beautification, and overall betterment of the neighborhood and aid its residents by maintaining property values, increasing the tax base, fostering economic growth, and providing for recreational activities. Provides for district boundaries.

Proposed law requires the parish governing authority to provide, in the ordinance creating the district, for its name, boundaries, governance, and powers and duties, including the authority to impose taxes or fees within the district, subject to voter approval. Prohibits the use of the district funds for security enhancements.

(Adds R.S. 33:9099.3)