

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 80 (HB 182)

2017 Regular Session

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Existing law creates the Kenilworth Improvement District in Orleans Parish as a political subdivision to promote, encourage, and enhance the security, beautification, and overall betterment of the district. Provides for district boundaries.

Prior law provided that the district was governed by a nine-member board of commissioners as follows: five members appointed by the board of directors of the Kenilworth Civic and Improvement Assoc., one of whom was the president of the assoc., one member appointed by the member(s) of the La. House of Representatives who represent the area which comprises the district, one member appointed by the member(s) of the La. Senate who represent the area which comprises the district, one member appointed by the member(s) of the city council of the city of New Orleans who represent the area which comprises the district, and one member appointed by the mayor of the city of New Orleans.

New law instead provides that the district is governed by the members of the board of directors of the Kenilworth Civic and Improvement Assoc.

Prior law provided that board members served two-year staggered terms. New law provides that the terms and responsibilities of board members are as provided in the board's bylaws.

New law provides that the terms of the members of the board in office June 12, 2017, shall terminate on such date; however, the members must remain in office until all members of the board of directors of the Kenilworth Civic and Improvement Assoc. take office.

Existing law authorizes the governing authority of the city of New Orleans, subject to voter approval, to impose and collect a parcel fee within the district to fund the district. Provides that the fee shall be a flat fee and shall be imposed on each parcel located within the district. Prior law provided that the amount of the fee was \$200 per parcel. New law provides that the amount of the fee cannot exceed \$225 per parcel per year.

New law additionally authorizes the board to change the amount of the fee by duly adopted resolution, not to exceed the maximum amount authorized by new law and approved by the voters.

Prior law provided that the initial election on the question of the imposition of the fee was to be held on Nov. 2, 2004. Provided that the fee expired Dec. 31, 2010. Provided that the amount of the fee provided in prior law could be changed, or a maximum fee amount in excess of the amount of the fee provided in prior law could be established if approved by the voters.

New law removes prior law and instead provides that the fee expires at the end of the term provided for in the proposition, not to exceed eight years. Requires that the election for renewal be held at the same time as a regularly scheduled election in the city of New Orleans.

Effective upon signature of governor (June 12, 2017).

(Amends R.S. 33:9078(D) and (F)(2) and (4))