

Prior law provided that the admission fee which the local governing authority of the parish or municipality may levy when the riverboat is licensed to operate within the unincorporated area of Jefferson Parish on the West Bank of the Mississippi River shall be calculated by the parish council and shall be six percent of the weekly net gaming proceeds of that riverboat. Provided that the first \$200,000 of these monies shall be allocated for and distributed to the West Bank Civic and Sports Center for operations of the facility.

Prior law provided that the remainder of such fees shall be distributed as follows:

- (1) 32% to the parish governing authority of Jefferson Parish which shall be expended solely within the unincorporated areas of Jefferson Parish on the West Bank of the Mississippi River on any property, building, or facility owned by Jefferson Parish for the purposes of providing emergency services, drainage, or flood protection.
- (2) 29% to the city of Gretna.
- (3) 29% to the city of Westwego.
- (4) 5% to the town of Lafitte.
- (5) 5% to the town of Grand Isle.

New law expands the use of fees which are allocated to the parish governing authority to provide that of this amount, a one time expenditure not to exceed one million dollars shall be authorized to provide for construction, repairs, or rehabilitation of storm-damaged properties for the towns of Grand Isle and Lafitte.

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

(Amends R.S. 27:93(A)(4)(a))