

SENATE BILL NO. 32

BY SENATOR CHAISSON

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 15:1098.7(D), relative to the authority of the governing authority of the parish of St. John the Baptist; to expend an annual tax of one mill for a period of twenty years to fund the cost of housing juveniles; to permit the expenditure of such funds on hand and to be received for operation and maintenance cost and for construction and/or renovation of a facility to house the juvenile probation officers, judges, counselors, and other personnel associated with juvenile services; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 15:1098.7(D) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1098.7. Participation by other parishes; appropriations

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D. The governing authority of St. John the Baptist Parish may continue to levy the special annual tax not to exceed one mill for a period of twenty years to fund the costs of housing and detaining juveniles, but those tax proceeds shall not automatically be tied to the St. James Parish youth center. The parish council by majority vote may elect to utilize those funds **on hand and any funds to be received at for** any other juvenile detention center approved by appropriate state and federal authorities in St. John the Baptist Parish or in any other parish **or may appropriate and expend such funds for operation and maintenance costs and for construction or renovation of a facility to house the juvenile probation officers, judges, counselors, and other personnel associated with juvenile services.**

Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature

1 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
2 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
3 effective on the day following such approval.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_