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HB 16 Engrossed

2017 Regular Session

McFarland

Abstract: Authorizes the governing authority of the town of Jonesboro to levy and collect a hotel occupancy tax at a rate not to exceed 3%, subject to voter approval.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the governing authority of the town of Jonesboro, subject to voter approval, to levy and collect a hotel occupancy tax. Provides that such tax shall not exceed 3% of the rent or fee charged for such occupancy.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the governing authority to contract with any public entity authorized to collect sales or use taxes for the collection of the hotel occupancy tax. Requires that the proceeds of the tax be used to fund tourism-related activities and recreation programs within the town of Jonesboro.

Effective July 1, 2017.

(Adds R.S. 47:338.218)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Municipal, Parochial and</u> Cultural Affairs to the original bill:

1. Additionally require the governing authority to use tax proceeds to fund tourism-related activities within the town of Jonesboro.