SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

2019 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senator White to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 214 by Senator White

1	AMENDMENT NO.	1
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- 2 On page 1, line 2, change "enact R.S. 51:923;" and insert "reenact R.S. 51:923,"
- 3 AMENDMENT NO. 2
- 4 On page 1, lines 3 and 4, delete "to provide for the members, authority, and powers and
- 5 duties of the members of the board;" and insert:
- 6 "to provide relative to rulemaking;"
- 7 AMENDMENT NO. 3
- 8 On page 1, delete line 14, and insert "B. The"
- 9 AMENDMENT NO. 4
- 10 On page 2, delete lines 5 through 29
- 11 AMENDMENT NO. 5
- On page 3, delete lines 1 through 24
- 13 <u>AMENDMENT NO. 6</u>

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- On page 3, between lines 3 and 4, insert:
- 15 "D. When matters are submitted to the board in furtherance of the powers delegated to it by Article VII, Section 21(F) of the 16 Constitution of Louisiana, the board shall make an initial 17 18 recommendation regarding the eligibility of the application for an 19 exemption and shall forward that recommendation and the application 20 to the local review board in the parish in which the project is located. 21 Each parish shall establish a local industrial property tax exemption 22 review board to review applications receiving preliminary 23 recommendations from the board. 24
 - (1) The membership of the local review board shall include one of the elected members of each elected local taxing authority in the parish or their designee. However, only those members who represent taxing authorities with the authority to levy ad valorem tax on the property related to the application may vote on that application.
 - (2) Each local review board shall adopt guidelines for the review of industrial property tax exemption applications. These guidelines:
 - (a) Shall not conflict with industrial property tax exemption guidelines provided in rules adopted by the State Board of Commerce and Industry.
 - (b) Shall be uniform for all member taxing authorities in the parish.
 - (c) Shall be consistently applied to all applicants.
 - (d) Shall be forwarded to the Department of Economic Development for publication on the department's website.
 - (e) May provide that the exemption shall apply only to the ad valorem taxes of the taxing authorities whose representatives vote to approve an exemption request.

1	(3) The meetings of local review boards are subject to the Open
2	Meetings Law.
3	(4) In making its determination, if a local review board has access
4	to the confidential information related to the project, the local review
5	board and its members shall only review or discuss this information in
6	executive session pursuant to R.S. 42:16. Any confidential information
7	related to a project shall not be disclosed to any other person including
8	the taxing authority of the local review board member and shall remain
9	confidential and privileged in the same manner as the State Board of
10	Commerce and Industry is required maintain confidentiality and
11	privilege. Any local review board member who violates this provision
12	shall be subject to the same sanctions as members of the State Board of
13	Commerce and Industry for disclosure of confidential information.
14	(5) To assist the local review boards the Department of Economic
15	Development shall:
16	(a) Develop and provide best practices guidelines that may
12 13 14 15 16 17	include options to:
18	(i) Opt in without holding a local review.
19	(ii) Create a technical checklist by which any projects meeting
20	those criteria will automatically be approved.
21	(iii) Develop local review board guidelines providing for the
22	conducting of a technical review and uniform recommendation to all
21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29	local taxing authorities in the parish.
24	(b) Provide support and technical assistance at the local level for
25	projects recommended by the board on an as-needed basis, including
26	providing a summary of economic and fiscal impact information for
27	each project.
28	(c) Establish an online repository to publish any adopted parish
29	guidelines in one place.
30	(d) Consult with regional economic development organizations
31	and local government associations to develop a formal education
32	program for local elected officials.
33	E. The State Board of Commerce and Industry may adopt rules
34	pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act relative to review,
35	approval, and administration of ad valorem tax exemptions pursuant to
36	Article VII, Section 21(F) of the Constitution of Louisiana and for local
37	review board jurisdiction and procedures. A local review board may
38	adopt rules pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act as are
39	necessary for the administration of the local review board. Rules
10	adopted by the State Board of Commerce and Industry pursuant to this
11	Subsection shall supercede any rules adopted by a local review board to
12	the extent the rules are in conflict."
13	AMENDMENT NO. 15
14 15	Delete Senate Floor Amendments Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 proposed by Senator Martiny on behalf of the Legislative Bureau and adopted by the Senate on May 7, 2019.

46 AMENDMENT NO. 16

- 47 Delete Senate Floor Amendment No. 1 proposed by Senator Price and adopted by the Senate
- 48 on May 7, 2019.