

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 73 (HB 342)

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Existing law creates the Jefferson Place/Bocage Crime Prevention and Improvement District in East Baton Rouge Parish as a political subdivision of the state to aid in crime prevention and to add to the security of district residents by providing for an increase in the presence of law enforcement personnel in the district. Provides for district boundaries.

New law provides for the expansion of the district's boundaries to include a specified area, subject to approval of the voters in that area.

New law authorizes the district to beautify and improve common areas.

Existing law provides that the district is governed by a nine-member board of commissioners and requires that all members be residents of the district. New law further requires that members be qualified voters of the district.

Existing law authorizes the district, subject to voter approval, to impose and collect a parcel fee for 10 years and authorizes renewal of the fee. Prior law required that a renewal election be held at the same time as a regularly scheduled election in East Baton Rouge Parish. New law requires instead that such an election be held in accordance with the La. Election Code.

Existing law provides for an exemption from the parcel fee if the owner qualifies for the special assessment level, provided for by existing constitution.

New law limits the exemption to those owners who qualified for the special assessment prior to Jan. 1, 2020.

Effective August 1, 2019.

(Amends R.S. 33:9097.12(B), (D)(2), (E)(7), and (F)(3)(c) and (4))