

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

HB 153

2022 Regular Session

Freeman

DISTRICTS/NEIGHBORHOOD: Provides relative to the Twinbrook Security District in Orleans Parish

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Authorize the district to hold an election to renew the parcel fee on or before Dec. 10, 2022, notwithstanding present law (R.S. 18:402(F)), which provides the dates on which tax elections may be held.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law creates the Twinbrook Security District in Orleans Parish as a political subdivision of the state for the primary object and purpose of promoting and encouraging security in the area included within the district. Provides for the district's boundaries, governance, and powers and duties.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law authorizes the governing authority of the city of New Orleans, subject to voter approval, to levy a parcel fee on behalf of the district. Provides that the fee is a flat fee per improved parcel of land not to exceed \$575 per year for each improved parcel.

Proposed law keeps the maximum fee amount at \$575 for calendar year 2023, but authorizes the district's board to increase the maximum fee amount by \$25 per year for each calendar year after 2023.

Present law provides that the fee shall expire on Dec. 31, 2022.

Proposed law instead provides that the fee shall expire at the end of the term provided for in the proposition authorizing the fee, not to exceed eight years.

Present law authorizes renewal of the fee for a term not to exceed eight years. Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that bond, tax, or other elections at which a proposition or question is to be submitted to the voters shall be held only on certain dates. Provides that in a parish containing a municipality with a population of 300,000 or more persons, an election may be held on the second Sat. in Oct. or the fifth Sat. after the second Sat. in Oct. in 2017 and every fourth year thereafter. Present law further provides that the fifth Sat. after the first Tues. after the first Mon. in Nov. in even-numbered years shall not be applicable to a parish containing a municipality with that population for an election relative to a parcel fee imposed within a security or neighborhood improvement district.

Proposed law authorizes the district, notwithstanding present law, to hold an election to renew the parcel fee on or before Dec. 10, 2022.

Proposed law provides that the provisions of proposed law shall not affect the parcel fee being imposed within the district on the effective date of proposed law. Requires the governing authority of the city of New Orleans to continue to impose the parcel fee until it expires, as provided in the proposition approved by a majority of the district's registered voters voting on the proposition at an election held on Nov. 16, 2013. Further requires the governing authority of the city to begin to impose a parcel fee as provided in proposed law, if approved by a majority of the district's registered voters as provided in proposed law.

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

(Amends R.S. 33:9091.9(D)(1), (3)(b), and (4), (E)(4), and (F)(1) and (3)(c))