
SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2025 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to
Engrossed House Bill No. 649 by Representative Ventrella

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "reenact" delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 3 and on line 4, delete "facilities within the parish; to provide" and insert the following:
"R.S. 33:4570.1,"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 5, after "Rouge;" delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 6 through 10 and insert the following: "to provide for annual reporting by the commission to each municipality as to the funds received from and expended to each municipality; to provide"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 16, after "Section 1." delete the remainder of the line and delete line 17 and insert the following; " R.S. 33:4570.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

Delete pages 2 through 8 in their entirety and insert the following:

"§4570.1. Board of commissioners; officers; quorum; employees

A. The commission shall be composed of ~~three~~ five ex officio members and ~~six~~ four appointed members for a total of nine commissioners. The ex officio members shall be the ~~mayor-president, or an officer or employee of the city or parish designated by the mayor-president from time to time; a member of the school board of East Baton Rouge Parish, designated by the school board for a term coincident with his term on the school board; and a member of the planning commission designated by the planning commission for a term coincident with his term on the planning commission.~~ mayors of the following municipalities: Baker, Baton Rouge, Central, St. George, and Zachary. Each mayor may designate a person to serve in his place as a member of the commission. Each designee shall serve at the pleasure of the designating mayor. The ex officio members shall serve during their terms of office. The ~~six~~ four appointed members shall be qualified voters of the parish appointed by the ~~metropolitan council~~ governing authority of the city of Baton Rouge, parish of East Baton Rouge for terms of three years. Of the four appointed members, at least two shall be residents of the city of Baton Rouge, and at least one shall be a resident of the unincorporated area of East Baton Rouge Parish. Following the release of each federal decennial census, the commission may, by majority vote, reallocate these designated residency requirements to reflect the changes in population distribution across the parish. Any such reallocation shall apply prospectively and shall not alter the term of any sitting member. Vacancies shall be filled by the designating or appointing ~~body for the unexpired portion of the term~~ authority. All commission members shall serve without compensation.

B. The commission shall elect from ~~the six appointed~~ its members a chairman, a vice chairman, and a treasurer whose terms of office shall be one year. ~~Four~~ Five members shall constitute a quorum of the commission for all purposes. The commission shall have the power and authority to name and

1 employ a person who shall be designated as superintendent of the commission,
2 who shall not be a member of the commission, and who shall be ex officio
3 secretary of the commission, and to prescribe and pay an annual salary to the
4 superintendent.

5 C. The commission shall submit a written report annually to each
6 municipality and to the state senators and representatives that represent these
7 municipalities that provides the amount of funds received from taxpayers in
8 each municipality, the amount of funds spent by BREC on facilities in each
9 municipality, and the amount of money generated at BREC facilities in each
10 municipality.

11 Section 2. The terms of the members of the Recreation and Park Commission
12 for the Parish of East Baton Rouge in office on the effective date of this Act shall
13 terminate on that date; however, the members shall remain in office until the
14 commission members take office as provided in this Act. The members of the
15 Recreation and Park Commission for the Parish of East Baton Rouge shall take office
16 as provided in this Act and shall serve terms of office as provided in this Act.

17 Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or,
18 if not signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law
19 without signature by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the
20 Constitution of Louisiana. If vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by
21 the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day following such approval."