

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 306 (HB 50)

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Existing law creates the Lake Vista Crime Prevention District as a political subdivision in Orleans Parish for the purpose of aiding in crime prevention.

Prior law additionally provided the purpose of the district was to enhance the security of district residents by increasing the presence of law enforcement personnel in the district. Provided for the boundaries of the district.

New law changes the boundaries of the district and provides that the purpose of the district instead includes the promotion and encouragement of security in the area included within the district.

Existing law provides for the district's powers and duties, including but not limited to the following:

- (1) To sue and be sued.
- (2) To receive and expend funds collected by the district and in accordance with a budget adopted by the district.
- (3) To purchase items and supplies which the board deems instrumental to achieving the purpose of the district.

Prior law authorized the district to enter into contracts with individuals or entities, private or public, for the provision of security patrols in the district.

New law authorizes the district to enter contracts generally and removes provision that limits the district's power to enter contracts only for the provision of security patrols in the district. Additionally authorizes the district to acquire and lease items and supplies which the board deems necessary.

Existing law authorizes the governing authority of the city of New Orleans to impose and collect a parcel fee within the district, subject to voter approval.

Prior law provided that the fee amount could not to exceed \$220 per parcel per year.

New law increases the maximum parcel fee from \$220 to \$400 per parcel per year. Provides that the fee amount may be changed by duly adopted resolution of the board, not to exceed the maximum amount.

Prior law provided that the initial election on the question of the imposition of the fee was to be held at the same time as a regularly scheduled election in the city of New Orleans. New law removes prior law.

Existing law provides that the fee expires at the time provided in the proposition. Authorizes renewal of the fee for a term provided in the proposition.

Prior law provided that the term of the fee and the term of renewal could not exceed four years. New law extends the maximum term of the fee and renewal to eight years.

Prior law provided that the budget and all amendments were subject to the approval of the governing authority of the city of New Orleans. New law removes prior law.

Prior law provided that it was the purpose and intent of prior law that the additional law enforcement personnel and their services provided for through the fees authorized in prior law were supplemental to and not in lieu of personnel and services provided in the district by the New Orleans Police Department.

New law instead provides that it is the purpose and intent of new law that any additional security patrols, public or private, or any other security or other services or betterments to be provided by the district shall be supplemental to and not in lieu of personnel and services to be provided in the district by the state or the city of New Orleans or their departments or agencies or by other political subdivisions.

Prior law provided that if the district ceased to exist, any funds of the district were to be transmitted to the governing authority of the city of New Orleans and used for law enforcement purposes in the district.

New law instead provides that if the district ceases to exist, all funds of the district shall be transmitted to the city of New Orleans, and such funds, together with any other funds collected by the city of New Orleans, shall be maintained in a separate account by the city and shall be used only to promote, encourage, and enhance the security of the area included in the district.

Effective upon lapse of time for gubernatorial action (June 24, 2025).

(Amends R.S. 33:9091.5(B), (C), (E)(4) and (5), (F)(1) and (3), (G)(1), and (H))