

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Existing law provides for the assessment of public service properties, including major movable and other movable property, owned or used in La. by companies operating inside and outside the state. Existing law requires the La. Tax Commission to allocate the assessed valuation of each company among the local taxing units on or before September first of each calendar year.

New law retains existing law.

Existing law requires major movable or other movable property owned or used in La. by a company having an agent or office in this state to be allocated to the taxing unit in which that agent or office is located.

New law retains existing law.

Prior law required certain major movable or other movable property owned or used in La. by a company not a resident of, nor domiciled in La., and having no agent or office in this state to be allocated to East Baton Rouge Parish.

New law repeals prior law and requires certain major movable or other movable property owned or used in La. by a company not a resident of, nor domiciled in La., and having no agent or office in this state, to be allocated according to the following ratio:

- (1) The numerator of which is the number of miles of active railroad track within a parish.
- (2) The denominator of which is the total number of miles of active railroad track in the state of La.

New law provides that the miles of active railroad track shall be based upon the latest information published by the La. Dept. of Transportation and Development.

Existing law authorizes an assessor to certify to the tax commission that certain identifiable major movables were present in his parish as of January first. Further requires the tax commission to allocate the value of the major movable to the certifying parish.

New law retains existing law.

New law requires the La. Tax Commission to publish the total number of miles of active railroad track in the state of La. and the number of miles of active railroad track within each parish used to determine the ratio.

New law implements the allocation methodology as follows:

- (1) For the taxable period beginning on January 1, 2026, 25% of the assessed value shall be allocated to La. parishes in accordance with the allocation ratio and 75% shall be allocated to East Baton Rouge Parish.
- (2) For the taxable period beginning on January 1, 2027, 50% of the assessed value shall be allocated to La. parishes in accordance with the allocation ratio and 50% shall be allocated to East Baton Rouge Parish.
- (3) For the taxable period beginning on January 1, 2028, 75% of the assessed value shall be allocated to La. parishes in accordance with the allocation ratio and 25% shall be allocated to East Baton Rouge Parish.
- (4) For taxable periods beginning on or after January 1, 2029, 100% of the assessed value shall be allocated to La. parishes in accordance with the allocation ratio.

Applicable to taxable periods beginning on or after January 1, 2026.

Effective July 1, 2025.

(Amends R.S. 47:1855(G)(2))