

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 644 (HB 433)

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Existing law creates the following entities as political subdivisions in East Baton Rouge Parish: the Downtown Development District of the city of Baton Rouge, the Baton Rouge Inner City Economic Development District, the Florida Boulevard Economic Development District, the Plank Road Business Economic Development District, and the East Baton Rouge Redevelopment Authority.

Prior law provided that the Baton Rouge Area Chamber of Commerce made nominations or appointments to the governing boards of the districts.

New law changes the name of the chamber to the Greater Baton Rouge Economic Partnership.

Existing law creates the Louisiana Competes Regional Economic Development Program to be administered by Louisiana Economic Development, to provide grants to regional economic development organizations. Provides for the definition of a "regional economic development organization".

Prior law provided that the definition of "regional economic development organization" included the Baton Rouge Area Chamber, or its successor.

New law changes the name of the chamber to the Greater Baton Rouge Economic Partnership.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 33:2740.8(D)(1)(b), 2740.19(D)(1)(e), 2740.53(B)(1)(b), 2740.67.1(C)(1)(f), and 4720.151(G)(1)(b) and R.S. 39:1482(4))