

**CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT**  
**House Bill No. 1010 By Representative Alfred Williams**

May 29, 2014

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 1010 by Representative Alfred Williams, recommend the following concerning the Reengrossed bill:

1. That Senate Committee Amendment No. 1 proposed by the Senate Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs and adopted by the Senate on May 6, 2014, be adopted.
2. That the set of Legislative Bureau Amendments proposed by Legislative Bureau and adopted by the Senate on May 7, 2014, be adopted.
3. That Senate Floor Amendments proposed by Senator Broome and adopted by the Senate on May 13, 2014, be adopted.
4. That the following amendments to the Reengrossed bill be adopted:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, at the beginning of line 8, delete "northeast" and insert "northwest"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, line 14, after "Sharp Lane" and before "to" insert "diagonally"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 17, after "north" and before "to" insert "along the west boundaries of lots 5, 6, and 7 of Milnor Subdivision"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, delete line 19 in its entirety and at the beginning of line 20, delete "of Villa del Rey Park" and insert "southwest corner of lot 80 of Villa del Rey Park"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 3, line 12, after "Villa del Rey" insert "Subdivision"

Respectfully submitted,

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Representative Alfred Williams

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Senator Yvonne Dorsey-Colomb

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Representative Austin Badon

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Senator Mack "Bodi" White, Jr.

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Representative Regina Barrow

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Senator Sharon Weston Broome

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

House Bill House Bill No. 1010 by Representative Alfred Williams

**Keyword and oneliner of the instrument as it left the House**

DISTRICTS/CRIME PREVENT: Creates the Villa del Rey Crime Prevention and Neighborhood Improvement District in East Baton Rouge Parish

**Report adopts Senate amendments to:**

1. Provide for technical changes with respect to the boundaries of the district.

**Report amends the bill to:**

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**Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee**

Proposed law creates the Villa del Rey Crime Prevention and Neighborhood Improvement District in East Baton Rouge Parish as a political subdivision of the state for the purpose of aiding in crime prevention by providing increased security for the district residents and the overall betterment of the district. Provides for district boundaries. Provides that the district shall be governed by a board of commissioners consisting of the following members:

- (1) The president of the Villa del Rey Citizens Association, Inc.
- (2) Two members appointed by the board of directors of the Villa del Rey Citizens Association, Inc.
- (3) One member appointed by the member or members of the La. House of Representatives who represent the area which comprises the district.
- (4) One member appointed by the member or members of the La. Senate who represent the area which comprises the district.
- (5) One member appointed by the member or members of the East Rouge Parish Metropolitan Council who represent the area which comprises the district.
- (6) One member appointed by the mayor-president of Baton Rouge.

Proposed law provides that the district has the following powers and duties:

- (1) To sue and be sued.
- (2) To adopt, use, and alter at will a corporate seal.
- (3) To receive and expend funds collected.
- (4) To enter into contracts with individuals or entities, private or public.
- (5) To acquire items and supplies necessary for achieving any purpose of the district.
- (6) To solicit and accept private grants and donations.
- (7) To procure and maintain liability insurance against any personal or legal liability of a board member.
- (8) To perform or have performed any function or activity the board deems necessary to carry out the purposes of the district.

Proposed law authorizes the district, subject to voter approval, to impose and collect a parcel fee of up to \$250 per parcel per year.

Proposed law provides that the fee shall be collected in the same manner and at the same time as ad valorem taxes and that any unpaid fee shall be added to the city tax rolls and enforced with the same authority and subject to the same penalties and procedures as unpaid ad valorem taxes. Proposed law authorizes an agreement with the parish tax collector for fee collection; authorizes a collection fee of not more than 1%.

Proposed law requires the district's board to adopt an annual budget in accordance with the La. Local Government Budget Act and provides that the district shall be subject to audit by the legislative auditor.

Proposed law provides that it is the purpose and intent of proposed law that the additional law enforcement personnel and their services provided for through the fees authorized by proposed law shall be supplemental to and not in lieu of personnel and services provided in the district by the city of Baton Rouge and East Baton Rouge Parish.

Proposed law provides that if the district ceases to exist, district property shall be transmitted to the parish to be used only to promote, encourage, and enhance the security, beautification, and overall betterment of the area included in the district.

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

(Adds R.S. 33:9097.22)