RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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<u>Prior law</u>, relative to the Harbor Center District, provided for the control and management of the district to be vested in a 14-member board of commissioners. Provided that the board shall be appointed as follows:

- (1) One member appointed by the mayor of the city of Slidell.
- (2) Three members appointed by the city council of the city of Slidell, one of which is recommended for appointment by the St. Tammany Hotel-Motel Association and is an owner or operator of a hotel, motel, or a campground located in Ward Eight or Ward Nine of St. Tammany Parish.
- (3) One member appointed by the board of aldermen of the town of Pearl River.
- (4) One member appointed by the St. Tammany Parish Council, who is a resident of the Eighth Ward of the parish.
- (5) One member appointed by the St. Tammany Parish Police Jury, who is a resident of the Ninth Ward of the parish.
- (6) One member appointed by the Greater Slidell Area Chamber of Commerce.
- (7) One member appointed by the state representative for District 90.
- (8) One member appointed by the state representative for District 76.
- (9) One member appointed by the state representative for District 74.
- (10) One member appointed by the state senator for District 11.
- (11) One member who is the executive director of the St. Tammany Parish Tourist and Convention Commission.
- (12) One member appointed by the state senator for District 1, provided that such senator's district comprises portions of Ward Eight or Ward Nine.

<u>New law</u> retains <u>prior law</u> with the following exceptions:

- (1) Changes an appointment <u>from</u> the Greater Slidell Area Chamber of Commerce <u>to</u> the St. Tammany Chamber of Commerce.
- (2) Changes an appointment <u>from</u> the state senator for District 11 to the East St. Tammany Business Alliance.
- (3) Removes the qualification that the senator's district comprise portions of Ward Eight or Ward Nine for the state senator representing District 1 to be qualified to make an appointment.

<u>Prior law</u> provided for the board of the Harbor Center District to levy a tax based upon the occupancy of hotel rooms, motel rooms, and overnight camping facilities within the district, with the approval of the State Bond Commission, in order to provide funds for the operation of the district, including the construction, acquisition, development, maintenance, repair, reconstruction, refurbishment, renovation, operation of or administration of any facility owned, or to be owned or operated by the district and the acquisition, construction repair or replacement of machinery, equipment, and furnishings. The tax shall not exceed two dollars per occupant day.

<u>New law</u> retains <u>prior law</u> but removes the requirement that the State Bond Commission must approve the levying of the tax.

Effective upon signature of the governor (June 11, 2020).

(Amends R.S. 33:4575.1(A)(5), (6), (10), and (12) and 4575.3(20)(a))