

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 209

BY REPRESENTATIVE BOURRIAQUE

DISTRICTS/SPECIAL: Provides relative to Cameron Parish Water and Wastewater Board for District No. 1

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 33:3887.9 and to repeal R.S. 33:4067, relative to Cameron Parish Water and
3 Wastewater Board for District No.1; to provide relative to the creation of Cameron
4 Parish Wastewater District No. 1; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the
5 district; to provide relative to a board of directors for the district; to provide relative
6 to the terms of board members; to provide relative to the boundaries of the district;
7 and to provide for related matters.

8 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
9 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of
10 Louisiana.

11 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

12 Section 1. R.S. 33:3887.9 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

13 §3887.9. Cameron Parish Wastewater District No. 1

14 A. The Cameron Parish Wastewater District No. 1 is hereby created and
15 shall be governed by a board of directors.

16 B.(1) The Cameron Parish Wastewater District No. 1 board of directors shall
17 be comprised of five members appointed by the police jury of Cameron Parish.
18 Terms of members shall be determined by the police jury. Each member shall be a
19 registered voter of Cameron Parish and shall have resided within the boundaries of
20 the district for at least two years prior to his appointment. The police jury shall

1 designate the domicile of the board. The board shall by resolution designate a place
2 within the district for holding its meetings.

3 (2) The police jury may authorize payment of a per diem to each member of
4 the board in an amount not to exceed sixty dollars for each day of his attendance at
5 meetings of the board up to twenty-four days in each year. The police jury may also
6 authorize payment of a per diem for attendance at up to twelve emergency meetings
7 of the board called in a year. Per diem for board members shall be paid out of
8 district funds.

9 C. The Cameron Parish Wastewater District No. 1 board of directors shall
10 be the successor board to the board of Cameron Parish Sewerage District No. 1, the
11 board of Cameron Parish Waterworks District No. 1, and the Cameron Parish
12 Sewerage and Water Board for District No. 1. As successor, the Cameron Parish
13 Wastewater District No. 1 board of directors shall have all powers and duties of the
14 boards of sewerage districts set forth in Chapter 9 of Title 33 of the Louisiana
15 Revised Statutes of 1950 and all other powers granted by law for the maintenance
16 and operation of sewerage districts.

17 D. The board is hereby authorized to levy and collect an ad valorem tax.
18 Such ad valorem tax shall be imposed by resolution of the board only after the
19 question of the imposition of the tax has been submitted to the qualified electors of
20 the district at an election conducted in accordance with the election laws of the state,
21 and a majority of those voting in the election have voted in favor of the proposition.
22 The proceeds of such tax shall be used for the purpose of maintaining and operating
23 the district.

24 E. The Cameron Parish Wastewater District No. 1 shall be comprised of the
25 territory beginning at a point which is the intersection of the east line of Township
26 15 South, Range 9 West, with the shoreline of the Gulf of Mexico, thence north
27 along the east lines of the said Township 15 South, Range 9 West, and Townships
28 14 and 13 South, Range 9 West, to the intersection of said line with the north
29 boundary line of Ward 3, which is the center section line of Section 13, Township

- 1 13 South, Range 9 West at that point, thence west along the center section line of
 2 Section 13, Township 13 South, Range 9 West and a projection thereof to a point
 3 where said line intersects on the east or left descending bank of the Calcasieu Ship
 4 Channel, thence following the east or left descending bank of the Calcasieu Ship
 5 Channel to the shoreline of the Gulf of Mexico, thence easterly along the shoreline
 6 of the Gulf of Mexico, to point of beginning.
- 7 Section 2. R.S. 33:4067 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for Cameron Parish Wastewater District No. 1.

Present law creates the Cameron Parish Water and Wastewater District No. 1. Provides as follows with respect to the district:

- (1) Establishes district boundaries.
- (2) Provides that the district is governed by a five-member board of directors appointed by the parish police jury.
- (3) Authorizes payment of a per diem to members of the board for attendance at meetings.
- (4) Authorizes the district to levy an ad valorem tax, subject to voter approval.
- (5) Provides that the district has the powers of water districts and sewerage districts, as provided by present law.

Proposed law retains present law except to limit the powers and duties of the district to those related to wastewater and sewerage.

(Adds R.S. 33:3887.9; Repeals R.S. 33:4067)