HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

House Bill No. 504 by Representative Landry

MUNICIPALITIES: Provides relative to the use of certain revenues in certain municipalities

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Deletes proposed law relative to use of tourist commission funds received by certain municipalities and provides instead that in certain parishes any tax levied by a parish-wide tourist commission shall be repealed by the adoption of an ordinance or resolution approving such repeal by a simple majority of municipalities in the parish.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Present law (R.S. 33:4574.1.1) provides for the creation of parish-wide tourist commissions and authorizes such commissions to levy a hotel occupancy tax.

Present law further provides that the Vermilion Parish Tourist Commission may levy an additional 3% tax on the occupancy of hotel rooms in the parish to fund athletic programs within the parish. Further provides for allocation of such collected funds.

Proposed law provides that within certain parishes, a tax levied by a parish-wide tourist commission shall be repealed upon the adoption of an ordinance favoring such repeal by a simple majority of the municipalities within such parish. Further provides that any funds collected but not distributed at the time of such repeal shall be allocated as provided in present law for the improvement of recreational parks and facilities.

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

(Adds R.S. 33:4574.1.1(S))