Greene (HB 485) Act No. 289

Existing law establishes the Broadmoor Crime Prevention and Improvement District in East Baton Rouge Parish.

<u>Existing law</u> establishes a seven member board of commissioners for the district, appointed by several local and private entities. <u>New law</u> retains a seven member board, but changes the appointments to the board by deleting the authority of the president of the Broadmoor Residents Association to make an appointment and increasing <u>from</u> one <u>to</u> two the number of appointments made by the board of directors of the Broadmoor Residents Association.

<u>Prior law</u> provided for terms for commissioners based on various factors in <u>prior law</u>. <u>New law</u> establishes set two-year and three-year terms for commissioners as follows: the two members appointed by the Broadmoor Residents Association shall each serve two-year terms, all other members of the board shall serve three-year terms.

<u>Prior law</u> authorized the parish on behalf of the district to levy an ad valorem tax on property within the district. <u>New law</u> removes this authority.

New law authorizes the parish on behalf of the district to levy a parcel fee on all improved and unimproved parcels within the district, however the fee shall not be levied on condominiums within the district. Further provides that the fee shall not exceed \$100 and must be approved by the registered voters of the district. New law provides a maximum term for the levy of the parcel fee and provides for renewal of the fee upon voter approval. New law further authorizes the governing authority of the district, five years or more after initial implementation of the parcel fee, to increase the parcel fee to no more than \$200 by duly adopted resolution of the board, without a vote of the people. This authority may only be exercised one time.

New law provides for collection of the fee and penalties for unpaid fees.

<u>Existing law</u> requires the board of commissioners to adopt an annual budget for the district. <u>Prior law</u> required the board of commissioners to obtain approval of the district's budget from the East Baton Rouge Metropolitan Council. <u>New law</u> removes this requirement. <u>New law</u> requires that the district submit its budget to the EBR Metropolitan Council.

<u>New law</u> provides for indemnification of board members acting in the performance of their duties.

New law provides that the term of each commissioner serving on the effective date of <u>new law</u> shall terminate at midnight on Dec. 31, 2011. Further provides that all subsequent appointments to the board and all vacancies on the board shall be filled according to the provisions of <u>new law</u>.

Effective upon signature of governor (June 28, 2011).

(Amends R.S. 33:9097.8 (D)(1)-(3), (F), (G)(1), and (H)(2); Adds R.S. 33:9097.8(i)