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Table with 2 rows and 2 columns. Row 1: Date: March 12, 2014 4:13 PM, Author: PONTI. Row 2: Dept./Agy.: East Baton Rouge Parish, Analyst: David Helminiak. Row 3: Subject: Neighborhood Improvements in East Baton Rouge Parish.

DISTRICTS/CRIME PREVENT OR +\$74,989 LF RV See Note Page 1 of 1
Creates the Tara Crime Prevention and Neighborhood Improvement District in East Baton Rouge Parish

Purpose of Bill: This measure creates the Tara Crime Prevention and Neighborhood Improvement District in East Baton Rouge Parish for the purpose of aiding in crime prevention, enhancing security within the district, providing for an increase in security patrols in the district, beautifying and improving the common areas within the district, and providing for the overall betterment of the district. The district will be governed by a board of seven commissioners, who will serve without compensation. In addition, the measure authorizes the district to impose and collect a fee for each parcel in the district not to exceed \$200 per parcel, if approved by a majority of the registered voters of the district.

Table with 7 columns: EXPENDITURES, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19, 5 -YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State Gen. Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Ded./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total. Similar structure for REVENUES.

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION
Local governmental expenditures may increase by \$25,353 in fiscal year 2015-16, increasing to \$71,580 in fiscal year 2018-19.

Expenditures will include crime prevention, enhancing security within the district, providing for an increase in security patrols in the district, beautifying and improving the common areas within the district, and providing for the overall betterment of the district. According to an official with the Tara Crime Prevention District, expenditures are estimated at 90% of the revenues collected. The additional 10% of revenue will remain in the district's account to provide for a surplus in the future for any non-recurring expenses, such as election costs. Because the Tara Crime Prevention District will operate on a calendar year budget, the first expenditures are calculated at half of the amount. Every year thereafter would be the half of the 90% of the prior year revenue plus half of the 90% of that fiscal year revenues.

REVENUE EXPLANATION
Local governmental revenues may increase \$56,340 in fiscal year 2015-16, increasing to \$74,989 in fiscal year 2018-19.

According to an official with the Tara Crime Prevention District, revenues are estimated based a 90% collection rate of the maximum parcel fee allowed by this measure on 626 parcels in the district. This measure allows for the initial fee of \$100 per parcel per year. The initial fee is subject to an annual increase not to exceed 10% of the prior year's fee, up to a maximum parcel fee of \$200 per year. The parcel fee is subject to a majority vote by the registered voters in the district.