Badon (HB 371) Act No. 237

Existing law creates and provides for the Kingswood Subdivision Improvement District in Orleans Parish as a political subdivision of the state for the primary object and purpose of promoting and encouraging the beautification, security, and overall betterment of the Kingswood Subdivision. Provides for the district's boundaries, governance, and powers and duties. Authorizes the governing authority of the city of New Orleans, subject to voter approval, to levy and collect a parcel fee upon each parcel of taxable real property within the district not exceed \$240 per parcel per year.

<u>Prior law</u> provided that the fee was to be levied initially for a term not to exceed nine years and expired on Dec. 31 of the year of a mayoral election. <u>New law</u> provides that the fee expires on Dec. 31, 2022.

<u>Existing law</u> authorizes renewal of the fee for a term not to exceed eight years, subject to voter approval. <u>Prior law</u> required that any election to authorize renewal of the fee be held only at the same time as the mayoral primary election. <u>New law</u> instead requires that any election to authorize renewal be held at the same time as a regularly scheduled election in the city of New Orleans.

<u>New law</u> provides that the provisions of <u>new law</u> do not affect the parcel fee being levied within the district on May 28, 2014. Requires the governing authority of the city of New Orleans to continue to levy the parcel fee until it expires, as provided in the proposition approved by a majority of the district's registered voters voting on the proposition at an election held on Nov. 17, 2007. Thereafter, requires the governing authority of the city to begin to levy a parcel fee as provided in <u>new law</u>, if approved by a majority of the district's registered voters as provided in <u>new law</u>.

Effective upon signature of governor (May 28, 2014).

(Amends R.S. 33:9079(A) and (E)(1)(d))