## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Authorizes the legislature to provide, by local law, for the incorporation of any area located within a single parish and to change the boundaries of any municipality affected by the incorporation.

<u>Present constitution</u> provides that the legislature shall provide by general law for the incorporation, consolidation, merger, and government of municipalities. Provides that no local or special law shall create a municipal corporation, or amend, modify, or repeal a municipal charter. <u>Present constitution</u> provides, however, that a special legislative charter existing on the effective date of <u>present constitution</u> may be amended, modified, or repealed by local or special law.

<u>Proposed constitutional amendment</u> retains <u>present constitution</u> except authorizes the legislature to provide, by local law, for the incorporation of any area located within a single parish and to provide for the exclusion of the area from the boundaries of any existing municipality. Provides that such exclusion shall not be effective until the effective date of such incorporation.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held Oct. 24, 2015.

(Amends Const. Art. VI, §2)