## **DIGEST**

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HB 529 Engrossed

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**Abstract:** Provides that certain provisions relating to the distribution of taxes collected by the Lafourche Basin Levee District from property located within St. Charles Parish shall not apply during any tax year in which the Lafourche Basin Levee District maintains the St. Charles Parish West Bank Hurricane Protection Levee System.

<u>Present law</u> provides that taxes collected by the Lafourche Basin Levee District from property located within St. Charles Parish located west of the Mississippi River, not less than 57% of the tax monies are to be expended for the purposes of levee construction, levee maintenance, and other flood control and drainage works within St. Charles Parish. These expenditures are to be in cash or in-kind services as determined by the parish governing body. When such funds are expended within St. Charles Parish, in-kind services shall not exceed 50% of such expenditures.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>, but specifies that <u>present law</u> shall not apply during any tax year in which the Lafourche Basin Levee District maintains the St. Charles Parish West Bank Hurricane Protection Levee System, as a whole or as each section is transferred to the Lafourche Basin Levee District for maintenance, operation, and control, subject to any amendments made by the state of La.

(Amends R.S. 38:334(A))

## Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Transportation</u>, <u>Highways and Public Works</u> to the <u>original</u> bill:

1. Clarify that provisions of <u>present law</u> shall not apply during any tax year in which the Lafourche Basin Levee District maintains the St. Charles Parish West Bank Hurricane Protection Levee System, as a whole or as each section is transferred to the Lafourche Basin Levee District for maintenance, operation, and control, subject to any amendments made by the state of La.