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Abstract: Authorizes the board of commissioners of a regional flood protection authority to levy an annual five mill property tax.

<u>Present constitution</u> authorizes the board of commissioners of a regional flood protection authority to levy annually a tax of the assessed valuation of all property not exempt from taxation situated within the territorial jurisdiction of the authority.

<u>Present constitution</u> provides tax increases approved by the governing authority only take effect upon a majority of the electors voting within the authority and a majority of the electors in each of the parishes in that authority in an election held for that purpose.

<u>Proposed constitutional amendment</u> changes <u>present constitution</u> by authorizing the board to levy an annual tax not to exceed five mills on the taxable property in the authority's jurisdiction.

<u>Proposed constitutional amendment</u> changes <u>present constitution</u> by removing the requirement of an approval of the majority of the electors within the authority and the majority of the electors in each parish of that authority in order to be effective.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held Nov. 8, 2016.

(Amends Const. Art. VI, §38.1(B))