

2016 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 137

BY SENATOR BARROW

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. Provides for boundaries, board membership and tax authority of the Baton Rouge North Economic Development District. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 33:2740.67(B) and (C)(1)(j) and to enact R.S. 33:2740.67(G),  
3 relative to Baton Rouge North Economic Development; to provide relative to the  
4 boundaries and membership of the board; and to provide for related matters.

5 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 33:2740.67(B) and (C)(1)(j) are hereby amended and reenacted and  
8 R.S. 33:2740.67(G) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §2740.67. Baton Rouge North Economic Development District

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11 B. Boundaries. The district shall include the area within the following  
12 boundaries: beginning at the intersection of North 22nd Street and Florida  
13 Boulevard, east along Florida Boulevard to its intersection with North Sherwood  
14 Forest Drive, then north along North Sherwood Forest Drive to its intersection with  
15 Greenwell Springs Road, then southwest along Greenwell Springs Road to its  
16 intersection with Joor Road, then north along Joor Road to its intersection with  
17 Mickens Road, then west along Mickens Road to its intersection with Hooper Road,



1           **expenses shall be made available to the district for any of the district's lawful**  
 2           **purposes and as provided by the ordinance dedicating the proceeds.**

3           Section 2. The provisions of Subsection G of R.S. 33:2740.67 shall become effective  
 4 on May 1, 2017.

5           Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
 6 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
 7 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
 8 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
 9 effective on the day following such approval.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
 of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Michael Bell.

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DIGEST

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Barrow

Present law provides for certain boundaries of the Baton Rouge North Economic Development District.

Proposed law changes the boundaries of the Baton Rouge North Economic Development District to expand the boundaries to include a more northwest portion of East Baton Rouge Parish.

Present law provides for the board to consist of 13 members which includes a branch manager of a bank located within the district to be selected by a subcommittee formed by the board.

Proposed law retains present law except changes one of the board members from a branch manager of a bank located within the district to be selected by a subcommittee formed by the board to one urban designer or community developer to be selected by a subcommittee formed by the board.

Proposed law provides for the governing authority of East Baton Rouge Parish to levy and collect a two percent rent or fee charged for the occupancy of hotel rooms located within the boundaries of the district. Proposed law further provides that the tax is imposed by ordinance adopted by the governing authority.

Proposed law provides for the Baton Rouge North Economic Development District to use the proceeds of the tax for any of the district's lawful purposes and as provided by the ordinance dedicating the proceeds.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 33:2740.67(B) and (C)(1)(j); adds R.S. 33:2740.67(G))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs to the original bill

1. Changes boundaries of district.
2. Adds authorization of a hotel tax.