

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 144

BY REPRESENTATIVE ARNOLD

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:2740.27(H)(2), relative to Orleans Parish; to provide relative to the Algiers Development District; to provide relative to the powers and duties of the district; to authorize the district, for the purpose of facilitating development within the district, to exercise powers granted to local governmental subdivisions to approve the creation of nonprofit economic development corporations; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of Louisiana.

Be in enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 33:2740.27(H)(2) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§2740.27. The Algiers Development District; creation, composition, and powers; levy of ad valorem taxes and issuance of bonds

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(2)(a)(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, with respect to any ~~real or~~ immovable property that is owned by the district and that either was formerly owned by the United States Department of the Navy and known as Federal City or is immediately contiguous thereto, the district may lease, insure, mortgage or hypothecate, donate, or sell such property or otherwise contract with

1 respect to the management and development of such property in any reasonable  
2 manner it deems necessary to fulfill its mission as a redevelopment authority. In  
3 order to facilitate the redevelopment of Federal City property only, the district shall  
4 not be required to follow any other provision of law applicable to the sale, lease, or  
5 donation of property owned by a public body not otherwise governed by the  
6 constitution including the public lease law, R.S. 41:1211 et seq., and the Public Bid  
7 Law, R.S. 38:2211 et seq., relative to the disposition of immovable property or for  
8 contracting with respect thereto and shall not be required to receive the approval of  
9 any other public entity or agency with respect to any action taken pursuant to this  
10 ~~Paragraph~~ Subparagraph to develop Federal City.

11 (ii) Notwithstanding the provisions of Item (i) of this Subparagraph, with  
12 respect to the development of property pursuant to this ~~Paragraph~~ Subparagraph, the  
13 district shall be required to comply with all applicable zoning and permitting  
14 ordinances of the city of New Orleans.

15 (iii) The contiguous property referred to in Item (i) of this Subparagraph  
16 refers only to property owned by the district on April 1, 2013.

17 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, in order to  
18 facilitate development within the district, including placing the property formerly  
19 owned by the United States Department of the Navy and known as Federal City into  
20 commerce, the district may exercise all powers granted to local governmental  
21 subdivisions by Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as  
22 amended.

23 ~~(b)~~(c) The district may delegate its authority to make decisions necessary to  
24 carry out the provisions of this Paragraph to a committee composed in whole or in  
25 part of district board members; however, the district may reserve any authority it  
26 deems necessary.

27 ~~(c)~~(d) The assets and income derived from the development of property  
28 pursuant to this Paragraph shall be used solely for the benefit of the district and all  
29 projects within the district, including the Federal City project. The development of  
30 property pursuant to this Paragraph shall be in accordance with a master plan

1 approved by the district, the joint development committee for the Federal City  
2 project, the secretary of the Louisiana Department of Economic Development, and  
3 the commissioner of administration.

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5 Section 2. 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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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_