

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 450

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DISTRICTS/CRIME PREVENT: Provides relative to the Upper Audubon Security District in Orleans Parish

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9091.12(D)(1)(a) and (F)(2) and (4), relative to the Upper
3 Audubon Security District in Orleans Parish; to provide relative to the governing
4 board of the district; to provide relative to the parcel fee levied within the district; to
5 provide relative to the amount, expiration, and renewal of such fee; and to provide
6 for related matters.

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

10 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

11 Section 1. R.S. 33:9091.12(D)(1)(a) and (F)(2) and (4) are hereby amended and
12 reenacted to read as follows:

13 §9091.12. Upper Audubon Security District

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15 D. Governance. (1) The district shall be managed by a board of
16 commissioners, referred to in this Section as the "board". The board shall be
17 composed as follows:

18 (a) The president of the Upper Audubon Association or his designee.

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1 F. Parcel fee.

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3 (2) The amount of the fee shall be as requested by duly adopted resolution
4 of the board. The fee shall be a flat fee per parcel of land not to exceed ~~five~~ seven
5 hundred dollars per year for each parcel.

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7 (4)(a) A fee shall be imposed only after the question of its imposition has
8 been approved by a majority of registered voters of the district voting on the
9 proposition at an election held for that purpose in accordance with the Louisiana
10 Election Code at the same time as a regularly scheduled ~~primary or general~~ election
11 in the city of New Orleans. The amount of the fee may be changed by duly adopted
12 resolution of the board, not to exceed the maximum amount authorized by this
13 Subsection and approved by the voters. No other election shall be required except
14 as provided by this Paragraph.

15 (b) The fee shall expire at the time provided in the proposition authorizing
16 the fee, ~~not to exceed six years from its initial imposition,~~ but the fee may be
17 renewed as provided in Subparagraph(a) of this Paragraph. Any election to authorize
18 the renewal of the fee shall be held ~~only~~ at the same time as ~~the mayoral primary~~ a
19 regularly scheduled election ~~for~~ in the city of New Orleans. If renewed, the term of
20 the imposition of the fee shall be provided in the proposition authorizing such
21 renewal, ~~not to exceed eight years.~~

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23 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
24 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
25 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
26 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
27 effective on the day following such approval.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Relative to the Upper Audubon Security District. Provides relative to the membership of the district's governing board and the parcel fee imposed within the district.

Present law creates the Upper Audubon Security District in Orleans Parish as a political subdivision to aid in crime prevention and reduction by providing for an increase in the presence of law enforcement personnel in the district.

Present law provides that the district shall be managed by a board of commissioners. Requires all members of the board to be residents of the district. Provides that the board shall be composed as follows:

- (1) The president of the Upper Audubon Association.
- (2) Three members appointed by the board of directors of the Upper Audubon Association.
- (3) One member appointed by the member of the city council whose district encompasses the area from a list of nominations submitted by the Upper Audubon Association.
- (4) One member appointed by the state representative whose district encompasses the area from a list of nominations submitted by the Upper Audubon Association.
- (5) One member appointed by the state senator whose district encompasses the area from a list of nominations submitted by the Upper Audubon Association.

Proposed law retains present law but authorizes the president of the Upper Audubon Association to designate someone to serve for him.

Present law authorizes the governing authority of the city of New Orleans to impose a parcel fee on behalf of the district, subject to voter approval. Provides that the fee is a flat fee per parcel of land not to exceed \$500 per year for each parcel. Proposed law increases the maximum rate of the parcel fee to \$700 per year.

Proposed law provides that the governing board of the district may change the amount of the fee by duly adopted resolution of the board, not to exceed the maximum amount authorized by proposed law and approved by the voters.

Present law provides that the fee shall expire at the time provided in the proposition authorizing the fee, not to exceed six years from its initial imposition. Proposed law removes the six-year limit on the duration of the fee.

Present law authorizes renewal of the fee, subject to voter approval, and requires the election for renewal of the fee to be held only at the same time as the mayoral primary election for the city of New Orleans.

Proposed law retains present law but authorizes holding the election for renewal at any regularly scheduled election in New Orleans.

Present law provides that if renewed, the term of the imposition of the fee shall be as provided in the proposition authorizing the renewal, not to exceed eight years. Proposed law removes the eight-year limit on the duration of the renewal.

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

(Amends R.S. 33:9091.12(D)(1)(a) and (F)(2) and (4))