Regular Session, 2010 ACT No. 586

AN ACT

HOUSE BILL NO. 560

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## BY REPRESENTATIVE POPE

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 33:4766(E)(1), relative to the condemnation of dilapidated and
3	dangerous structures; to provide relative to the enforcement of privileges and liens
4	granted in favor of a parish or municipality for the costs incurred in the demolition,
5	removal, repair, or maintenance of any such structure; to authorize a parish,
6	municipality, or levee board seeking to enforce a privilege or lien as a tax against
7	immovable property to submit the attested bills for such costs to the tax assessor of
8	the parish in which the property is located as an alternative to submitting any such
9	bill to the director of administration; and to provide for related matters.
10	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
11	Section 1. R.S. 33:4766(E)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
12	§4766. Lien and privilege for cost of demolition, removal, and maintenance by
13	parish or municipality; interest; attorney fees
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15	E.(1) The privilege and lien shall be enforced by ordinary process in the
16	district court having jurisdiction of the immovable within three years after it is
17	perfected. Alternatively, the privilege and lien may be enforced by assessing the
18	amount of the privilege and lien against the immovable as a tax against the
19	immovable, to be enforced and collected as any ordinary property tax lien to be
20	assessed against the property; said lien and privilege may be collected in the manner
21	fixed for collection of taxes and shall be subject to the same civil penalties for
22	delinquencies. After the parish, levee board, or municipality has incurred such costs
23	as constitute the lien and privilege on the property, the parish president, police jury,
24	mayor, president or executive director of the levee board, or any director of any

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community development department of the parish or municipality may send an attested bill of said costs and expenses which constitute the lien and privilege to the director of administration or tax assessor of the parish in which the property is located, who shall add the amount of said bill to the next tax bill of the owner. The lien obtained by the parish, levee board, or municipality pursuant to proper notification and filing shall include not only the costs provided for in Subsection A of this Section but shall include all attorney fees and all costs of court incurred in the locating of the owner, the notification of the owner, and the enforcement and collection of the amount secured by the lien against the immovable and the improvements.

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Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2010; if vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on July 1, 2010, or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is later.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE
GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: