2015 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 149

BY SENATOR MORRELL AND REPRESENTATIVES WESLEY BISHOP, LEGER
             AND MORENO

SPECIAL DISTRICTS. Creates and provides relative to the Law Enforcement Management
District of Orleans Parish. (gov sig)

1   AN ACT

2   To enact Chapter 29-A of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statues of 1950, to be

3   comprised of R.S. 33:9099.21, relative to law enforcement coordination in Orleans

4   Parish; to create and provide relative to the Law Enforcement Management District

5   of Orleans Parish; to provide for the governing authority thereof; to provide for its

6   powers and duties; and to provide for related matters.

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

8   Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9   Section 1. Chapter 29-A of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950,

10   comprised of R.S. 33:9099.21, is hereby enacted to read as follows:

11   **CHAPTER 29-A. LAW ENFORCEMENT MANAGEMENT DISTRICT OF**

12   **ORLEANS PARISH**

13   **§9099.21. Law Enforcement Management District of Orleans Parish**

14   **A. Creation and Boundaries. In addition to the authority granted by**

15   **Article VII, Section 14(C) of the Constitution of Louisiana, and R.S. 33:1324,**

16   **the Law Enforcement Management District of Orleans Parish is hereby created,**

17   **hereinafter referred to as the "district". The boundaries of the district shall be**

1   **coterminous with the boundaries of the parish of Orleans.**

2   **B. Powers and duties. The governing authority of the district shall:**

3   **(1) Facilitate development and implementation of cooperative endeavor**

4   **agreements and memorandums of understanding between or among the various**

5   **agencies having law enforcement jurisdiction in Orleans Parish to provide**

6   **police protection.**

7   **(2) Provide greater communication and coordination between the**

8   **various neighborhood improvement districts and crime prevention and security**

9   **districts and with the various agencies having law enforcement jurisdiction to**

10   **provide police protection in Orleans Parish.**

11   **(3) Perform any other function the board may deem appropriate for**

12   **achieving cooperative police security services.**

13   **C. Governance. (1) In order for the orderly development and**

14   **effectuation of the services to be coordinated by the district and to provide for**

15   **the representation in the affairs of the district of those law enforcement agencies**

16   **concerned with and affected by the purposes of the district, the affairs of the**

17   **district shall be managed by a board of commissioners, hereinafter referred to**

18   **as the "board", consisting of the following voting members:**

19   **(a) The mayor of the city of New Orleans, or his designee.**

20   **(b) The chairman of the Criminal Justice Committee of the New Orleans**

21   **City Council, or his designee.**

22   **(c) The chairman of the House Committee on Judiciary, or his designee.**

23   **(d) The chairman of the Senate Committee on Judiciary B, or his**

24   **designee.**

25   **(e) The sheriff of the parish of Orleans.**

26   **(f) The constable of the First City Court for the city of New Orleans.**

27   **(g) The constable of the Second City Court for the city of New Orleans.**

28   **(2) The following shall serve as nonvoting members of the board:**

29   **(a) The commanding officer of the following college and university police**

1   **departments:**

2   **(i) Delgado Community College.**

3   **(ii) Dillard University.**

4   **(iii) Loyola University.**

5   **(iv) Southern University at New Orleans.**

6   **(v) University of New Orleans.**

7   **(vi) Tulane University.**

8   **(vii) Xavier University of Louisiana.**

9   **(b) The captain of the Orleans Levee District Police Department.**

10   **(c) The police chief for the Harbor Police of the Port of New Orleans.**

11   **(3) The chairmanship of the board shall rotate annually between the**

12   **members appointed pursuant to Subparagraphs (C)(1)(c) and (C)(1)(d) of this**

13   **Section. The first meeting shall be called by the member appointed pursuant**

14   **to Subparagraph (C)(1)(d) of this Section not later than December 1, 2015.**

15   **(4) The board shall meet biannually.**

16   **(5) A majority of the voting members of the board shall constitute a**

17   **quorum.**

18   **(6) The members of the board shall serve without compensation, other**

19   **than that regularly provided by their respective agency.**

20   **(7) The board shall keep minutes of all meetings.**

21   Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not

22 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature

23 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If

24 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become

25 effective on the day following such approval.

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The original instrument was prepared by Cathy R. Wells. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Ann S. Brown.

DIGEST

SB 149 Engrossed   2015 Regular Session   Morrell

Proposed law creates and provides relative to the Law Enforcement Management District of Orleans Parish which boundaries are coterminous with the boundaries of the parish of Orleans.

Proposed law requires the governing authority of the district to:

(1)   Facilitate development and implementation of cooperative endeavor agreements and memorandums of understanding between or among the various agencies having law enforcement jurisdiction in Orleans Parish to provide police protection.

(2)   Provide greater communication and coordination between the various neighborhood improvement districts and crime prevention and security districts and with the various agencies having law enforcement jurisdiction to provide police protection in Orleans Parish.

(3)   Perform any other function the board may deem appropriate for achieving cooperative police security services.

Proposed law provides for the following voting members to govern the district:

(1)   The mayor of the city of New Orleans, or his designee.

(2)   The chairman of the Criminal Justice Committee of the New Orleans City Council, or his designee.

(3)   The chairman of the House Committee on Judiciary, or his designee.

(4)   The chairman of the Senate Committee on Judiciary B, or his designee.

(5)   The sheriff of the parish of Orleans.

(6)   The constable of the First City Court for the city of New Orleans.

(7)   The constable of the Second City Court for the city of New Orleans.

Proposed law provides for the following nonvoting members:

(1)   The commanding officer of each of the following college and university police departments:

    (a)   Delgado Community College.

    (b)   Dillard University.

    (c)   Loyola University.

    (d)   Southern University at New Orleans.

    (e)   University of New Orleans.

(f)   Tulane University.

(g)   Xavier University of Louisiana.

(2)   The captain of the Orleans Levee District Police Department.

(3)   The police chief for the Harbor Police of the Port of New Orleans.

Proposed law requires the board to meet biannually. Proposed law further requires the first board meeting to be called by the chairman of the Senate Committee on Judiciary B, or his designee not later than Dec. 1, 2015.

Proposed law rotates annually the chairmanship of the board between the chairmen of the House Judiciary Committee and the Senate Judiciary B Committee.

Proposed law requires members to serve without compensation.

Proposed law requires the board to keep minutes of all meetings.

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

(Adds R.S. 33:9099.21)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

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

    1.   Clarifies that the chairmanship of the board shall rotate between the chairmen of the House Judiciary Committee and the Senate Judiciary B Committee.

    2.   Technical correction.

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