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Regular Session, 2010

HOUSE BILL NO. 32

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BY REPRESENTATIVE THIERRY

FUNDS/FUNDING: Changes the allowable purposes for expenditures from the St. Landry Parish Education Excellence Fund

AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 27:392(B)(3)(b)(i), relative to the St. Landry Parish Excellence 3 Fund; to provide for use of monies appropriated from the fund; and to provide for 4 related matters. 5 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published 6 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of 7 Louisiana. 8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 9 Section 1. R.S. 27:392(B)(3)(b)(i) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as 10 follows: 11 §392. Collection and disposition of fees and taxes 12 B. 13 14 15 (3) After complying with the provisions of Paragraphs (1) and (2) of this 16 Subsection, the state treasurer shall, each fiscal year, credit five percent of the state 17 portion of taxable net slot machine proceeds collected from each licensed eligible 18 facility to the following special funds: 19

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(b)(i) The St. Landry Parish Excellence Fund in St. Landry Parish which is hereby created in the state treasury from proceeds derived from the licensed eligible facility in St. Landry Parish. Monies in the St. Landry Parish Excellence Fund, for purposes of this Subparagraph referred to as the "fund", shall be withdrawn only pursuant to appropriation by the legislature and shall be used solely and exclusively by the St. Landry School Board for enhancements to public elementary and secondary education, or for the construction and operation of a Career and Technology Center to be located in St. Landry Parish, and/or the enhancement and expansion of existing vocational and technical programs and curricula. The Career and Technology Center shall serve secondary, including junior high school, and postsecondary students and shall provide occupational and workforce training. All courses of instruction provided at the Career and Technology Center shall be developed by the school board in collaboration with the Board of Supervisors of Community and Technical Colleges. Monies in the fund appropriated to the St. Landry Parish School Board shall be used solely and exclusively for enhancements to the education program in St. Landry Parish. Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2010; if vetoed by the governor

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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.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Changes the purposes for which monies appropriated to the St. Landry Parish School Board from the St. Landry Parish Education Excellence Fund may be used.

Present law establishes the St. Landry Parish Excellence Fund (hereinafter "fund") as a special fund in the state treasury. The source of monies for the fund is 5% of the state portion of taxable net slot machine proceeds collected from the licensed eligible gaming facility (La. Downs) in St. Landry Parish. Monies in the fund are available exclusively for appropriation to the St. Landry Parish School Board to be used for: elementary and secondary education, construction and operation of a Career and Technology Center to be

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located in St. Landry Parish, or the enhancement and expansion of existing vocational and technical programs and curricula. <u>Proposed law</u> further provides for the activities of the Career and Technology Center.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes <u>present law</u> by limiting the use of monies appropriated to the St. Landry Parish School Board from the fund to enhancements to public elementary and secondary education in St. Landry Parish. <u>Proposed law</u> repeals provisions relating to activities of the Career and Technology Center.

Effective July 1, 2010.

(Amends R.S. 27:392(B)(3)(b)(i))