

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 575

BY REPRESENTATIVE ARNOLD

DISTRICTS/SPECIAL: Provides with respect to the duration of taxes levied for the Orleans Parish Juvenile Services Financing District

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 13:5951(I)(4), relative to the Orleans Parish Juvenile Services  
3 Financing District; to provide with respect to taxes levied for the district and the  
4 duration of such levy; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 13:5951(I)(4) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §5951. Orleans Parish Juvenile Services Financing District

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9 I.

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11 (4) If approved, the ~~tax shall expire on December thirty-first after the 2014~~  
12 ~~mayoral election for the city of New Orleans~~ term of the levy of the tax shall be as  
13 provided in the proposition authorizing the levy, not to exceed eight years from the  
14 date of levy, but the tax may be renewed if approved by a majority of the registered  
15 voters of the district voting on the proposition at an election as provided in Paragraph  
16 (2) of this Subsection. Any election to authorize renewal of the tax shall be held  
17 only at the same time as the mayoral primary election for the city of New Orleans.  
18 If the tax is renewed, the term of the imposition of the tax shall be as provided in the  
19 proposition authorizing such renewal, not to exceed eight years.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides with respect to the taxes the Orleans Parish Juvenile Services Financing District is authorized to levy and the duration of such levy.

Present law provides for the creation of the Orleans Parish Juvenile Services Financing District to provide funding for juvenile facilities, programs, and services.

Present law authorizes the governing authority of New Orleans to levy and collect a tax up to 10 mills on the dollar on property within the district subject to voter approval. Requires that the election be called by the governing authority of the city of New Orleans upon written request by the board of commissioners of the district.

Present law provides that, if approved, the tax shall expire on Dec. 31 after the 2014 mayoral election for the city of New Orleans. Further authorizes the renewal of the tax if approved by the voters. Also requires that any election to authorize the renewal of the tax be held only at the same time as the mayoral primary election for the city of New Orleans. If the tax is renewed, the term of the imposition of the tax shall be as provided in the proposition authorizing such renewal, not to exceed eight years.

Proposed law changes provision for the expiration of the initial tax from a specific date to a term not to exceed eight years; otherwise retains present law.

(Amends R.S. 13.5951(I)(4))