

SENATE BILL NO. 562

BY SENATOR PERRY

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 33:9039.124(A)(1) and (4), relative to the tax upon the  
3 occupancy of hotel rooms, motel rooms, and overnight camping facilities levied and  
4 collected by the Abbeville Film and Visitors Commission District; to terminate the  
5 tax upon the occupancy of hotel rooms, motel rooms, and overnight camping  
6 facilities with the district; to authorize the district to collect and levy a one percent  
7 tax, subject to voter approval; and to provide for related matters.

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

9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

10 Section 1. R.S. 33:9039.124(A)(1) and (4) are hereby amended and reenacted to read  
11 as follows:

12 §9039.124. Funding of the district

13 A.(1)(a) **Except as provided in Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, The**  
14 **the** district, through the board, is authorized to levy and collect a tax upon the  
15 occupancy of hotel rooms, motel rooms, and overnight camping facilities within the  
16 district. Such tax shall not exceed two percent of the rent or fee charged for such  
17 occupancy.

18 **(b)(i) The tax authorized in Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph shall**  
19 **terminate on December 31, 2012.**

20 **(ii) The district, through the board, may levy and collect a tax upon the**  
21 **occupancy of hotel rooms, motel rooms, and overnight camping facilities within**  
22 **the district as provided in Paragraph (4) of this Subsection, on and after**  
23 **January 1, 2013. This tax shall not exceed one percent of the rent or fee**  
24 **charged for such occupancy.**

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26 (4) The district, through the board, shall impose the hotel occupancy tax by  
27 ordinance or resolution **subject to approval by a majority of the electors in the**

1           district who vote thereon in an election held for that purpose. The board may  
 2           provide in the ordinance or resolution necessary and appropriate rules and  
 3           regulations for the imposition, collection, and enforcement of the hotel occupancy  
 4           tax.

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

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_