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STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 94

2021 LEGISLATIVE SURVEY

The Louisiana Legislative Session will commence Monday April 12, 2021. This is a “fiscal session” in which taxing and fee instruments are debated. Legislators are limited to five “general bills.” Fiscally and locally related instruments are excluded from the total. I have included survey questions addressing some of the bills my fellow legislators may file during the session.

Of local interest, I am working with the Office of Motor Vehicles to allow residents living on renamed streets to change the address on their license and vehicle registration online or over the phone. Currently, a resident is required to go to the Department of Motor Vehicles in person to change their address. Billing issues have plagued Sewerage & Water Board for years; therefore, I have drafted legislation to give the New Orleans City Council greater oversight over Sewerage & Water Board billing operations. I am supporting legislation by Rep. Matthew Willard to cap the increase of Orleans Parish residential property assessments to no more than 10% of the prior year’s assessed value. Properties that have been sold or new construction properties are excluded from the 10% cap.

Thank you for your time in completing this survey. I greatly appreciate your feedback on these issues and welcome additional feedback on issues not covered. The completed survey can be emailed to hilfertys@legis.la.gov or mailed to: **3331 Severn Ave., Suite 206, Metairie, LA 70002**

1. Many states have a single tax collector. Louisiana allows sales taxes to be collected on a local level. Should the state have a single tax collector, rather than each parish collecting taxes? Yes No
2. Do you support raising the gas tax to pay for new road and bridge construction? Yes No
3. Do you favor reducing the sales tax rate but broadening the tax to apply to more services? Yes No
4. Do you support removing the requirement that a person possess a state-issued permit to carry a concealed handgun in Louisiana? Yes No
5. What issue should be the top priority of your representatives in Baton Rouge? Tax Reform, Election Integrity, Education, Job Creation and Economic Development, or Infrastructure. _____
6. Do you support the passage of legislation legalizing recreational use of marijuana? Yes No
7. In your opinion, should schools require teachers to receive the COVID-19 vaccine? Yes No
8. Do you support legislation to abolish the death penalty? Yes No
9. In your opinion, should the legislature pass legislation to restrict the power of the governor during a pandemic? Yes No