

Upon motion of Mr. Carroll Duhon, and seconded by Mr. Ravis Menard, and dully resolved.

RESOLUTION

2005-R-22

A RESOLUTION URGING THE LOUISIANA LEGISLATURE TO EXEMPT LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FROM THE LIABILITY TO PAY TAXES ON THEIR PURCHASES OF GASLOINE AND OTHER MOTOR FUELS

WHEREAS, parishes, municipalities school boards, and other local government entities in Louisiana continue to struggle with the problem of balancing their budgets; and

WHEREAS, under current law, local governing bodies must pay Louisiana's state government the full 20 cent per gallon tax on all gasoline purchases that they make; and

WHEREAS, in these current economic times, it does not seem right that Louisiana's local governments should have to pay taxes to the state government; and

WHEREAS, a review of the tax laws reveals that for the most part, state government generally exempts local governments from the payment of most state taxes (i.e., sales taxes, income taxes, etc.) and local governments exempt the state from the payment of local taxes (i.e., property taxes, sales taxes, etc.); and

WHEREAS, a review of the gasoline tax laws further reveals that the Legislature has already exempted a number of other entities from payment of this tax, including sales to the federal government and its agencies, sales to school bus drivers and sales to farmers, fisherman and aviation entities; Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Vermilion Parish Police Jury does hereby urge the Louisiana Legislature to pass the necessary laws to exempt local governments in this state from the liability to pay taxes on their purchases of gasoline and other motor fuels; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Vermilion Parish Legislative Delegation, the Police Jury Association of Louisiana and all Parish Governments in the State of Louisiana for their support of this endeavor.

CERTIFICATE

I, Clay P. Menard, Secretary/Treasurer, of the Vermilion Parish Police Jury, do hereby certify that the above is true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Vermilion Parish Police Jury on September 19, 2005 at which time a quorum was present and voting.

Clay P. Menard
Secretary-Treasury
Vermilion Parish Police Jury