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Republican Brian McNabb promised to “demand fiscal discipline to lower the tax burden” as he opened his campaign for the state House District 69 seat.

“Louisiana needs leaders who can bring a fresh commitment to ethics, a new kind of experience, and the energy to make a difference in the Legislature,” McNabb said in his candidacy announcement. “I intend to personally visit with every household during this campaign and represent every voter if elected.”

McNabb is running for the seat held by state Rep. Gary Beard, R-Baton Rouge, who is not seeking re-election this fall.

District 69 stretches from the corner of Government Street and Jefferson Highway southeast across East Baton Rouge Parish to the Amite River between Harrell’s Ferry Road and Tiger Bend Road. It includes the neighborhoods of Westminster, Inniswold and Shenandoah.

McNabb said he is committed to “demand fiscal discipline to lower the tax burden on businesses and families, and focus spending on investments like education, transportation, and economic development.”

The Baton Rouge native is a graduate of Christian Life Academy High School. He graduated from LSU with a B.A. degree.

McNabb is a former political director of the Republican Party of Louisiana. He received an appointment in the administration of President George W. Bush to a job in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in Washington, D.C. He was special assistant and personal aide to Stephen L. Johnson, the 11th administrator of the EPA.

In that job, McNabb said he “directed the day-to-day operations of the administrator’s office, and regularly communicated with White House officials, members of Congress, governors and other state and local officials.”

Qualifying for the fall election is Sept. 4-6. The primary election is Oct. 20 with a runoff election, if needed, Nov. 17.