

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 625

BY REPRESENTATIVE DESHOTEL

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 34:1801(A)(1), (2), and (3), relative to the composition of the
3 Avoyelles Parish Port Commission; to provide for the selection process and term of
4 commissioners; to provide an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

5 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
6 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of
7 Louisiana.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 34:1801(A)(1), (2), and (3) are hereby amended and reenacted to
10 read as follows:

11 §1801. Creation of Avoyelles Parish Port Commission

12 A.(1) There is hereby created a commission to be known as the Avoyelles
13 Parish Port Commission, which shall be composed of ~~nine~~ five members, at least
14 ~~three~~ one of whom shall be ~~minorities~~ a minority, ~~with one member domiciled in~~
15 ~~each police jury district~~ who shall serve without compensation and who shall be
16 appointed, ~~subject to Senate confirmation~~, as follows:

17 ~~(2)(a) Each member~~ The members of the police jury of Avoyelles Parish
18 shall ~~submit a list of three nominees from his respective district to~~ select two
19 commissioners, the Town of Simmesport shall select one commissioner, the
20 representative representing House District Twenty-Eight shall select one
21 commissioner, and the senator ~~senators~~ representing Senate District Twenty-Eight;
22 ~~and the senator representing Senate District Thirty-Two shall, collectively, select one~~
23 commissioner. Each ~~nominee~~ commissioner shall be domiciled in ~~the police jury~~
24 ~~district that the police jury member represents~~ Avoyelles Parish.

25 ~~(b) A majority of the legislators consisting of the representative representing~~
26 ~~House District Twenty-Eight, the senator representing Senate District Twenty-Eight,~~

1 ~~and the senator representing Senate District Thirty-Two shall appoint one nominee~~
2 ~~from each list of nominees submitted to serve as commissioners.~~

3 (3)(a) ~~The initial commissioners appointed following the effective date of~~
4 ~~this Paragraph shall serve until January 12, 2020. Thereafter, any commissioner~~
5 ~~appointed shall serve a term of four years~~ Upon the effective date of this Paragraph,
6 the existing commissioners shall remain until their termed year. Commissioners
7 appointed thereafter shall serve four-year terms subsequent to staggered terms as
8 staggered terms as provided in Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph. The term shall
9 end on January thirty-first of the termed year. The selection process shall commence
10 February first and be completed within thirty days.

11 (b)(i) Two members shall serve a term of two years; two members shall
12 serve a term of three years; and one member shall serve a term of four years.

13 (ii) The terms of the respective members shall be determined from a
14 selection by lot at the first meeting of the board.

15 (iii) For purposes of this Subparagraph, "selection by lot" shall mean a
16 random selection from the pool of chosen commissioners.

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

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____