HB 235 Engrossed 2022 Regular Session McFarland

Abstract: Provides for the number and qualifications of members of the Jackson Parish Hospital Service District governing commission.

Present law provides that the Jackson Parish Hospital Service District shall be governed by a commission composed of seven members.

Proposed law revises present law to change the number of commission members from seven to five. Provides that the members shall be appointed by a majority vote of the police jury of the parish for six-year terms.

Proposed law establishes that the commission members shall be qualified voters and residents of Jackson Parish and shall possess the following qualifications:

1. One commission member shall possess financial expertise and be an officer or owner of a bank or group of banks in the parish.

2. One commission member shall possess legal expertise and be a licensed attorney in good standing in the parish who is not employed by the district attorney's office.

3. One commission member shall possess medical expertise and be a licensed healthcare professional who practices at the hospital service district hospital in the parish.

4. One commission member shall possess business or accounting expertise, practice his profession in the parish, and be a licensed certified public accountant or hold a master's degree in business administration.

5. One commission member shall possess managerial expertise and be employed by a manufacturer located in the parish which has more than 200 employees and manufactures products made from pulp wood or other fibrous materials.

Proposed law repeals present law providing relative to the governance of a hospital service district in any parish with a population greater than 16,000 and less than 17,000 according to the latest federal decennial census.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.
(Amends R.S. 46:1053(BB); Repeals Act No. 171 of the 2017 R.S.)