2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 179

BY REPRESENTATIVE MARCELLE

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 48:1456(A), (B)(3), and (D), relative to the membership of the
3	board of commissioners of the Capital Area Transit System; to add a member of the
4	Amalgamated Transit Union to the board; to provide for voting privileges; to provide
5	for the removal of board members; to provide for a temporary replacement if the
6	union representative is removed; to prohibit the union representative from being
7	counted in the total number of seats during a reapportionment period; and to provide
8	for related matters.
9	Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
10	as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of
11	Louisiana.
12	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
13	Section 1. R.S. 48:1456(A), (B)(3), and (D) are hereby amended and reenacted to
14	read as follows:
15	§1456. Board of commissioners
16	A. (1) If there are no participating parishes other than East Baton Rouge
17	Parish, the system shall be governed by a board of commissioners comprised of nine
18	ten members, with one member being a representative of the Amalgamated Transit
19	Union.
20	(2) The member from the Amalgamated Transit Union shall be the president
21	of the Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1546 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, or his
22	designee. The union representative shall be a retired union member and serve as a
23	member of the board without voting privileges. The union representative shall not
24	participate in any executive session involving personnel issues.

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3	(3)(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Section, the total number of
4	commissioners shall not exceed fifteen when a reapportionment, as provided for in
5	Paragraphs (4) and (5) of this Subsection, is complete.
6	(b) The nonvoting union representative shall not be counted in the total
7	number of seats during a reapportionment period.
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9	D. Notwithstanding the expiration of their terms, members shall serve until
10	their successors are appointed and qualified, unless removed for cause, which
11	removal shall take immediate effect. The governing authority of the appointing
12	parish shall appoint a temporary replacement to the board immediately upon removal
13	or within fourteen days. However, if the member who is removed is the
14	Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1546 representative, then the international
15	president of the Amalgamated Transit Union shall appoint the temporary
16	replacement immediately or within fourteen days. The temporary appointee shall
17	remain on the board until a successor is appointed and qualified. A temporary
18	appointee is not eligible for reappointment for a term. All other appointed members
19	are eligible for reappointment.
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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____