The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Sharon F. Lyles.

DIGEST

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Present law creates the Greater Baton Rouge Port Commission, composed of 15 members appointed by the governor, and provides for per diem for each member not to exceed $75 per day during the time a member is in actual attendance upon the board, or performing duties authorized by the board; provides for payment of per diem for a maximum of 24 days per year, except when an emergency is declared by the governor; provides for an unlimited number of emergency meetings or emergency activities as the commission deems necessary and requires payment of per diem to members for such meetings or activities.

Present law requires commission members to elect the following officers from among its members: president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer; provides an option for the offices of secretary and treasurer to be held by one person; requires the commission to meet in regular and special session at the call of the commission's president or upon written request of five commission members; provides that a quorum is a majority of members of the commission and that all action or resolutions of the commission shall be approved by affirmative votes of not less than a majority of all members of the commission; provides for the commission to prescribe rules to govern its meetings and to fix the place of its meetings.

Proposed law changes present law to require election of officers at the commission's regularly scheduled meeting each November, and changes per diem from $75 to per diem set by the commission.

Effective August 1, 2017.

(Amends R.S. 34:1221(A)(intro para) and 1222)