

2019 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 44

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAGLEY

NOTARIES: Provides for ex officio notaries public with certain limited authority for the DeSoto Parish Police Jury

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 35:417, relative to ex officio notaries public for the DeSoto Parish
3 government; to authorize the president of the DeSoto Parish Police Jury to designate
4 up to two employees within his office as ex officio notaries public; to provide for
5 duties and functions of the ex officio notaries public; to provide for limitations and
6 termination of the ex officio notaries public; and to provide for related matters.

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

10 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

11 Section 1. R.S. 35:417 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

12 §417. Ex officio notaries public for the DeSoto Parish government

13 A. Notwithstanding any provisions of the law relative to qualifications of
14 notaries public, the president of the DeSoto Parish Police Jury may designate no
15 more than two employees in his office and appoint them as ex officio notaries public.

16 B. Each employee so appointed as ex officio notary public may exercise,
17 within his respective jurisdictional limits, the functions of a notary public only to
18 administer oaths, receive sworn statements, and execute affidavits and
19 acknowledgments, all limited to matters within the official functions of the office of
20 the DeSoto Parish Police Jury.

1 C. All acts performed by each ex officio notary public authorized by this
2 Section shall be performed without charge or other compensation and without the
3 necessity of giving bond.

4 D. The president of the police jury may suspend or terminate an appointment
5 made in his office pursuant to this Section at any time, and a separation from the
6 employ of the parish shall automatically terminate the former employee's
7 appointment as an ex officio notary public.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes the president of the DeSoto Parish Police Jury to appoint up to two employees as ex officio notaries public.

Proposed law authorizes the president of the DeSoto Parish Police Jury to designate up to two employees within his office as ex officio notaries public.

Proposed law provides that each employee appointed as an ex officio notary public may exercise, within his respective jurisdictional limits, the functions of a notary public only to administer oaths, receive sworn statements, and execute affidavits and acknowledgments, all limited to matters within the official functions of the police jury.

Proposed law provides that all acts performed by each ex officio notary public shall be performed without charge or other compensation and without the necessity of giving bond.

Proposed law provides that the president of the police jury may suspend or terminate an appointment made in his office at any time, and a separation from the employ of the parish shall automatically terminate an appointment as an ex officio notary public.

(Adds R.S. 35:417)