

2019 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 366

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Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

LEVEES/BDS & DISTRICTS: Provides relative to the director of the board of commissioners for levee districts within the state

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 38:292, relative to directors of the board of commissioners for levee districts;
3 to authorize any board of commissioners for any levee district within the state to
4 employ an executive director; to establish qualifications for the executive director;
5 to establish duties for the executive director; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 32:292 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §292. Board of commissioners; directors

9 A. Each board may employ an executive director who shall serve at the
10 pleasure of the board. The board shall fix the qualifications, duties, and salary of the
11 director.

12 B. In addition to the qualifications fixed by the board pursuant to Subsection
13 A of this Section, the executive director shall, at a minimum, possess the following:

14 (1) A bachelor's degree in the area of business, engineering, geology,
15 hydrology, natural sciences, environmental sciences, renewable sources, general
16 studies, or any similar academic field.

17 (2) Ten years of experience as a senior executive in fields related to business,
18 engineering, or hydrology, or in the performance of public works functions, related
19 to flood and drainage control, flood plain management, water resources, soil
20 conservation, land surveying and mapping, disaster relief, or any related function.

- 1 C. In addition to the duties prescribed by the board, the executive director
- 2 shall keep records of all proceedings, preserve all books, maps, documents, papers,
- 3 records, and reports entrusted to his care, and keep them open for public inspection.
- 4 D. The provisions of this Section shall not apply to R.S. 38:326.4 or 330.4.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes the board of commissioners for levee districts to employ an executive director.

Proposed law authorizes the board of commissioners for levee districts to employ an executive director to serve at the pleasure of the board.

Proposed law establishes qualifications for the executive director, including, at a minimum, holding a bachelor's degree in the area of business, engineering, geology, hydrology, natural sciences, environmental sciences, renewable sources, general studies, or any similar academic field; and having a minimum of 10 years of experience as senior executive in fields related to business, engineering, or hydrology, or in the performance of public works functions, related to flood and drainage control, flood plain management, water resources, soil conservation, land surveying and mapping, disaster relief, or any related function.

Proposed law establishes the duties for the executive director, including the following: keeping records of all proceedings and preserving all books, maps, documents, papers, records, and reports entrusted to his care. Requires the executive director to allow public inspection of the records.

Proposed law does not apply to the Lafourche Basin Levee District or boards that employ a regional director.

(Adds R.S. 38:292)