The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by James Benton.

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<u>Present law</u> provides that commissioners appointed to the board, except those named by the Slidell Memorial Hospital medical staff, will be chosen by the appointing authority as provided for in <u>present law</u>, from nominations received from the nominating committee composed of nine members. Members of the permanent nominating committee will be appointed from entities outlined in this <u>present law</u> and will submit a copy of their appointments to the state senator in whose district Slidell Memorial Hospital resides. The state senator will be responsible for ensuring the proper appointment of all members of the nominating committee.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and further provides that the state senator will be responsible for ensuring the proper appointment of all members of the nominating committee, calling and providing proper notice of all meetings of the nominating committee, and maintaining all appropriate documentation of the nominating committee. The nominating committee shall select annually a chairperson to conduct meetings of the committee.

<u>Proposed law</u> makes a technical change in terminology <u>from</u> the "nominating committee" <u>to</u> the "appointing authority".

Proposed law provides that the state senator will serve as the chairperson of the appointing authority.

<u>Present law</u> provides that no member of the board, whether appointed by recommendation of the nominating committee or the medical staff, will serve more than three consecutive terms.

Proposed law retains present law but provides that one term will consist of four years, unless:

- (1) An appointee is named to fill the term of a member who has left the board and less than two years remain in the term, that appointee's term will not be considered one of the three consecutive terms to which a member is limited; or
- (2) An appointee is named to fill the term of a member who has left the board and more than two years remain in the term, that appointee's term will be considered one of the three consecutive terms to which a member is limited.

<u>Present law</u> provides that special meetings may be called with 48-hour notice by the chairperson, or in his absence, by the vice chairperson, or upon the written authorization of a majority of the members of the board.

Proposed law retains present law but makes technical change.

Effective August 1, 2021.

(Amends R.S. 46:1098.5(C), 1098.6(B)(1)(a), 1098.7(23); adds R.S. 46:1098.3(H))