DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for an all-elected membership of the State Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) by removing the governor's appointment of three members (reducing the membership <u>from</u> 11 <u>to</u> eight).

<u>Present law</u> creates BESE. <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>.

<u>Present law</u> provides that eight members are elected to BESE from single-member districts and three are appointed by the governor from the state at large. <u>Proposed law</u> reduces the BESE membership <u>from</u> 11 <u>to</u> eight by removing the gubernatorial appointment of three at-large members.

<u>Present law</u> provides that six board members constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. <u>Proposed law</u> lowers the quorum <u>from</u> six members <u>to</u> five members.

<u>Present law</u> provides that members serve four-year terms, concurrent with the term of the governor, and provides for filling the vacancies of elected members. <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>.

Present law provides for filling vacancies of appointed members. Proposed law repeals present law.

Effective if and when the proposed amendment of Article VIII of the Constitution of La. contained in the Act which originated as House Bill No. 4 of this 2022 R.S. of the Legislature is adopted at a statewide election and becomes effective. (If it is adopted and becomes effective, the effective date is noon on Jan. 4, 2024.)

(Amends R.S. 17:1 and 3(C))