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HB 235 Reengrossed

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McFarland

Abstract: Provides for the number and qualifications of members of the Jackson Parish Hospital Service District governing commission.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the Jackson Parish Hospital Service District shall be governed by a commission composed of seven members.

<u>Proposed law</u> revises <u>present law</u> to change the number of commission members <u>from</u> seven <u>to</u> five. Provides that the members shall be appointed by a majority vote of the police jury of the parish for six-year terms.

<u>Proposed law</u> establishes that the commission members shall be qualified voters and residents of Jackson Parish and shall possess the following qualifications:

- (1) One commission member shall possess financial expertise and be an officer or owner of a bank or group of banks in the parish.
- One commission member shall possess legal expertise and be a licensed attorney in good standing in the parish who is not employed by the district attorney's office.
- One commission member shall possess medical expertise and be a licensed healthcare professional who practices at the hospital service district hospital in the parish.
- (4) One commission member shall possess business or accounting expertise, practice his profession in the parish, and be a licensed certified public accountant or hold a master's degree in business administration.
- (5) One commission member shall possess managerial expertise and be employed by a manufacturer located in the parish which has more than 200 employees and manufactures products made from pulp wood or other fibrous materials.

<u>Proposed law</u> repeals <u>present law</u> providing relative to the governance of a hospital service district in any parish with a population greater than 16,000 and less than 17,000 according to the latest federal decennial census.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 46:1053(BB); Repeals Act No. 171 of the 2017 R.S.)