

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 422 (SB 349)

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Existing law provides for the La. State Board of Dentistry within the La. Dept. of Health. Existing law further provides for the board to have 15 members, including 13 qualified and licensed dentists, a qualified and licensed dental hygienist, and a consumer. New law retains existing law.

Existing law provides that one dentist shall be appointed from each board district, except that two dentists shall be appointed from District Five and designated as representatives "A" and "B". Existing law further provides that if the terms of representatives "A" and "B" expire on the same date, the term of either board member who has served for the least amount of time shall be extended for two years. New law repeals the requirement that the term of representative "A" or "B" be extended if their respective terms expire at the same time.

Existing law provides that each person appointed to the board shall serve a term of five years. Existing law further provides that no person shall serve more than a total of 10 years on the board, whether the service consists of full or partial terms, or is consecutive or not. New law changes the term limit to no more than two full terms.

Existing law provides for the application of existing law to a board member serving on August 1, 2014. New law repeals the outdated existing law.

Existing law provides for the filling of a vacancy occurring on the board. Existing law provides that members appointed to fill vacancies shall only serve for the unexpired term of their predecessors. New law provides that a member appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve the remainder of the calendar year in which the vacancy occurred. New law further provides that the member may then be appointed to serve an initial full term of five years and may be eligible for a second five-year term if reappointed and confirmed.

Existing law provides for the initial appointments of board members between 1993 and 1996. New law repeals existing law.

Existing law provides for a temporary appointment of the "At-Large Seat C" prior to the effective date of existing law. New law repeals existing law.

New law shall not be construed to prohibit any member currently serving on the La. State Board of Dentistry who has served more than two full terms from continuing to serve in that position for the remainder of his current term or until a successor is appointed.

Effective August 1, 2022.

(Amends R.S. 37:753(C)(1)(a) and (E); repeals R.S. 37:753(C)(1)(c) and (K))