

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 359 (HB 628)

2023 Regular Session

Hodges

Existing law authorizes parish and municipal governing authorities to create, by ordinance, public libraries. Requires parish and municipal governing authorities to create public libraries when petitioned by not less than 25% of the duly qualified property taxpayers of the respective parish or municipality. Generally requires parish governing authorities to appoint not fewer than five nor more than seven citizens of the parish as a board of control and municipal governing authorities to appoint five citizens of the municipality as a board of control. Provides exceptions. Provides that the president of the respective parish and the mayor of the respective municipality are ex officio members of the board. Provides that members serve staggered five-year terms.

New law provides an exception for the Livingston Parish Library Board of Control. Requires the parish governing authority to increase the membership of the board from seven to nine.

Effective August 1, 2023.

(Adds R.S. 25:214.5)