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SB 191 Engrossed

2025 Regular Session

Edmonds

Present law (R.S. 40:1496) provides for the composition of the board of commissioners for fire protection districts.

Proposed law retains present law and provides that the board of commissioners of the St. George Fire Protection District shall consist of five members. Provides that the city of St. George City Council shall appoint two members, the East Baton Rouge Metropolitan Council shall appoint two members, and the four appointed members of the board of commissioners shall appoint the fifth member.

Proposed law provides that all members shall reside within the boundaries of the St. George Fire Protection District. Provides that the member appointed by the St. George City Council shall also reside within the city of St. George.

Proposed law provides that initial terms of three of the commissioners shall be one year and the initial terms of two commissioners shall be two years as determined by lot. All subsequent terms of commissioners shall be two years.

Effective August 1, 2025.

(Adds R.S. 40:1496(J))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Local and Municipal Affairs to the original bill

1. Changes the appointment of commissioners of the St. George Fire Protection District.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs to the engrossed bill:

1. Reduce the number of commissioners appointed by the St. George City Council to the St. George Fire Protection District from three to two.
2. Increase the number of commissioners appointed by the East Baton Rouge Metropolitan Council to the St. George Fire Protection District from one to two.
3. Require all members of the St. George Fire Protection District to reside within the boundaries of the district and require the member appointed by the St. George City Council to also reside within the city of St. George.