

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 22 (HB 18)

2026 Regular Session

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Existing law provides for the governance of the District Attorneys' Retirement System (DARS) by a board of trustees that is composed of the following:

- (1) A member of the House Committee on Retirement.
- (2) The chairman of the Senate Committee on Retirement.
- (3) Six active and contributing members of the system elected by the members of the system.
- (4) Two retired members of the system elected by the retired members of the system.

New law extends the terms of office for certain elected members of the DARS board of trustees who were serving as of Jan. 1, 2026.

New law provides that the terms of the trustee serving as the retired assistant district attorney and the trustee assigned to Division B expire on Aug. 14, 2027.

New law provides that the terms of trustees assigned to Division C and D expire on Aug. 14, 2029.

New law provides that the terms of the trustees assigned to Division A and E expire on Aug. 14, 2030.

New law provides that the terms of the trustee serving as the retired district attorney and the trustee assigned to Division F expire on Aug. 14, 2031.

New law provides that their successors are elected for a term of five years.

Existing law provides that a vacancy is filled in the same manner as the office was filled.

New law provides that if a vacancy occurs in the office of an elected trustee and the unexpired term is less than two years, the board shall fill the vacancy by appointment within 90 days for the remainder of the unexpired term.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 11:1651(C) and (D); Adds R.S. 11:1651(E))