

Existing law authorizes the governing body of any municipality or parish to establish a local housing authority. Provides that the chief elected official of the municipality or parish or, if no such official exists then the governing body itself, shall appoint five persons to constitute the housing authority's governing body. Provides that such persons are called commissioners.

New law provides that the appointment of commissioners to a housing authority established by any parish with a population of not more than 46,500 and not less than 45,500 persons shall be made by the chief elected official of the parish.

Existing law provides that a commissioner of a local housing authority may be removed by the chief elected official of the municipality or parish appointing the commissioner for neglect of duty, misconduct in office, or conviction of any felony, or if no chief elected official exists, then by the governing body of such municipality or parish.

New law provides that a commissioner of a housing authority in any parish with a population of not more than 46,500 and not less than 45,500 persons may be removed by the chief elected official of the parish.

Effective upon signature of governor (June 17, 2013).

(Adds R.S. 40:531(A)(3) and 537(A)(5))