
DIGEST

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HB 69 Engrossed

2017 Regular Session

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Abstract: Provides relative to the membership of the governing board of the Alexandria Central Economic Development District.

Present law creates and provides for the Alexandria Central Economic Development District as a political subdivision of the state. Provides that the district is created for the primary purpose of redevelopment of the central business district. Provides for district boundaries.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that the district is governed by a board consisting of nine members, all of whom shall be qualified voters and residents of the city of Alexandria. Proposed law amends the make-up of the nine-member board as follows:

- (1) Present law provides for three members appointed by the mayor of the city of Alexandria and confirmed by the governing authority of the city of Alexandria. Proposed law provides for one such appointment.
- (2) Present law provides for two members nominated by the governing board of the Central La. Business League and appointed by resolution duly adopted by a majority vote of the governing authority of the city of Alexandria. Proposed law provides for one such appointment, which is to be made directly by the business league rather than pursuant to a nomination from it.
- (3) Present law provides for two members nominated by the governing authority of Rapides Parish and appointed by resolution duly adopted by a majority vote of the governing authority of the city of Alexandria. Proposed law provides for one such appointment, which is to be made directly by the parish governing authority rather than pursuant to a nomination from it.
- (4) Present law provides for one member nominated by the board of directors of the Central La. Chamber of Commerce and appointed by resolution duly adopted by a majority vote of the governing authority of the city of Alexandria. Proposed law provides for the appointment to be made directly by the chamber of commerce rather than pursuant to a nomination from it.
- (5) Present law provides for one member nominated by the governing board of the Rapides Regional Medical Center and appointed by resolution duly adopted by a majority vote of the

governing authority of the city of Alexandria. Proposed law provides instead for one member appointed jointly by the governing boards of the Rapides Regional Medical Center and the CHRISTUS St. Frances Cabrini Hospital.

- (6) Proposed law provides for four additional members, one appointed by the La. state representative who represents House District 26, one appointed by the La. state senator who represents Senate District 29, one appointed by the sheriff of Rapides Parish, and one appointed by the district attorney for the Ninth Judicial District court of La.

Present law provides that members serve staggered, four-year terms.

Proposed law provides for termination of terms of members serving on the effective date of proposed law.

Proposed law additionally provides that board members are eligible for reappointment and serve without compensation.

(Amends R.S. 33:2740.46(C)(1) and (3); Adds R.S. 33:2740.46(C)(6))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Increase the membership of the board by granting appointments to the sheriff of Rapides Parish and the district attorney for the Ninth Judicial District court of La.