RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 43 (SB 20)

2017 Regular Session

Ward

<u>Prior law</u> created the Greater Baton Rouge Port Commission, composed of 15 members appointed by the governor, and provided for per diem for each member not to exceed \$75 per day during the time a member is in actual attendance upon the board, or performing duties authorized by the board; provided for payment of per diem for a maximum of 24 days per year, except when an emergency is declared by the governor; and provided for an unlimited number of emergency meetings or emergency activities as the commission deems necessary and requires payment of per diem to members for such meetings or activities.

<u>Prior law</u> required commission members to elect the following officers from among its members: president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer; provided an option for the offices of secretary and treasurer to be held by one person; required the commission to meet in regular and special session at the call of the commission's president or upon written request of five commission members; provided that a quorum is a majority of members of the commission and that all action or resolutions of the commission shall be approved by affirmative votes of not less than a majority of all members of the commission; and provided for the commission to prescribe rules to govern its meetings and to fix the place of its meetings.

<u>New law</u> changes <u>prior law</u> to require election of officers at the commission's regularly scheduled meeting each November, and changes per diem <u>from</u> \$75 <u>to</u> a per diem set by the commission, not to exceed \$300.

Effective August 1, 2017.

(Amends R.S. 34:1221(A)(intro para) and 1222)