
The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Christine Arbo Peck.

DIGEST

SB 32 Original

2018 Regular Session

Hewitt

Present law provides that the state senator representing the majority of Wards 6, 7, 8, and 9 of St. Tammany Parish shall receive initial appointments to the nominating committee and call the first meeting of the committee.

Proposed law retains present law and expands the responsibilities of the state senator to include ensuring the proper appointment of all members of the nominating committee and appointing authority, calling and providing proper notice of all meetings of the nominating committee and the appointing authority, and maintaining all appropriate documentation of the nominating committee and the appointing authority.

Present law provides for membership criteria for the nominating committee and appointing authority.

Proposed law retains present law and clarifies that appointees representing certain cities shall reside in the city limits of the city in which they represent and appointees representing the parish shall reside within the geographical boundaries of St. Tammany Hospital Service District No. 2.

Present law does not include a provision for term limits for appointing authority members.

Proposed law establishes term limits of three years with staggering terms determined by lot at the first meeting of the appointing authority for nonelected officials. Elected officials serving on the appointing authority shall serve for a term commensurate with their term in office.

Present law requires board members from Slidell Memorial Hospital to be medical staff registered to vote in and residents and domiciliaries of St. Tammany Parish.

Proposed law removes the requirement that board members from Slidell Memorial Hospital be medical staff registered to vote in and residents and domiciliaries of St. Tammany Parish and establishes the sole requirement that the medical staff board member must be active members of the medical staff of Slidell Memorial Hospital.

Proposed law allows licensed physicians who are nominated, appointed, currently serving on, or formerly served on the board of commissioners to contract, subcontract, own an interest in an entity that contracts, or accept employment with Slidell Memorial Hospital, if the contract is related to the physician's practice of medicine or expertise as a physician. He shall recuse himself from any board action as it relates to such contracts, subcontracts, or ownership interest. He shall disclose all contracts to the Louisiana Board of Ethics.

Present law provides for a per diem of \$75 for each meeting attended and a maximum of three

meetings per month, which can be exceeded in the event of an emergency.

Proposed law increases the per diem to \$100 per meeting attended and increases the maximum number of meetings that can be held to seven per month, which can be exceeded in an emergency.

Proposed law provides that the chairman of the commission may receive a per diem for as many as ten meetings per month, which can be exceeded in an emergency.

Effective August 1, 2018.

(Amends Section 2.1(B), (C)(3), and (J)(1) and adds Section 2.1(C)(4), all as enacted by Act No. 562 of 2003 R.S., as amended by Act No. 1214 of 2003 R.S., Act No. 682 of 2004 R.S., Act No. 178 of 2007 R.S., and Act No. 141 of 2011 R.S.)