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2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 516

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BY REPRESENTATIVE GUINN

DISTRICTS/WATERWORKS: Provides relative to waterworks districts in Jefferson Davis Parish

AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 33:3819(H), relative to waterworks districts in Jefferson Davis 3 Parish; to provide with respect to the per diem paid to members of the board of 4 commissioners; to provide with respect to requirements for changing such per diem; 5 and to provide for related matters. Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published 6 7 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of 8 Louisiana. 9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 10 Section 1. R.S. 33:3819(H) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows: 11 §3819. Meetings of commissioners; meeting place; absences; compensation 12 13 H. Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection A of this Section, the 14 governing authority of Jefferson Davis Parish may authorize the treasurers of the 15 Jefferson Davis Parish Water District #4 a waterworks district located within 16 Jefferson Davis Parish to pay the commissioners of the respective district a per diem 17 not to exceed one hundred fifty dollars for attending the meetings of the board and 18 the Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District to pay the commissioners of their 19 respective districts a per diem not to exceed one hundred dollars for attending 20 meetings of the board. Any increase in per diem as provided for in this Subsection

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shall be approved by a two-thirds vote of the members of the parish governing

authority after public hearing, which has been advertised in the official journal of the

respective waterworks district on at least two separate occasions within a period of

fifteen days preceding the meeting at which the vote is taken.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Increases the maximum per diem for commissioners of waterworks districts located in Jefferson Davis Parish and requires a two-thirds vote of the parish governing authority to increase the per diem for waterworks commissioners in the parish.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes parishes to create waterworks districts, which have control of water systems in their respective districts. Provides for meetings of the board of commissioners of any such district.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes a per diem of up to \$60 for waterworks district commissioners for attendance at meetings for up to 24 regular meetings and 12 special meetings each year.

<u>Present law</u> provides for \$100 as the maximum per diem for the commissioners of Jefferson Davis Parish Water District #4 and the Jefferson Davis Central Waterworks District.

<u>Proposed law</u> increases to \$150 the maximum per diem for the commissioners of any waterworks district located in Jefferson Davis Parish.

<u>Proposed law</u>, applicable to all Jefferson Davis Parish waterworks districts, provides that a per diem increase requires a 2/3rds vote of the parish governing authority after a public hearing that has been advertised twice in an official journal of the district.

(Amends R.S. 33:3819(H))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Make the \$150 maximum per diem applicable to all waterworks districts in Jefferson Davis Parish.