

2019 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 92

BY SENATOR MILLS

LOCAL AGENCIES. Provides relative to the board of commissioners of the Iberia Parish Hospital Service District No. 1. (8/1/19)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 46:1053(B)(4), relative to Iberia Parish Hospital Service District
3 No. 1; to provide for board membership; to provide for term limits; to provide for
4 transition; and to provide for related matters.

5 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 46:1053(B)(4) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §1053. Commission; qualification of members; appointment; vacancies;
9 compensation; removal of commissioners; certain powers

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11 B. * * *

12 (4)(a) In the parish of Iberia, the Iberia Parish Hospital Service District No.
13 1 shall be governed by a commission composed of nine members **who shall be**
14 **registered voters, residents, and domiciled in the district. Seven members of the**
15 **commission shall be appointed by the governing authority of Iberia Parish to**
16 **serve four-year terms.** The two additional members provided for by this Paragraph
17 shall be appointed by the ~~governing authority of Iberia Parish from applications~~

1 ~~submitted by the medical staff of the Iberia General Hospital and Medical Center~~
2 ~~only~~ **medical executive committee of Iberia Medical Center to serve four-year**
3 ~~terms.~~ The two additional members shall each serve an initial term of four years and
4 ~~their successors shall be appointed for four-year terms. Upon the expiration of the~~
5 ~~terms of the current board of commissioners in office on August 15, 1995, or in the~~
6 ~~case of a vacancy on the board of commissioners on or after August 15, 1995, each~~
7 ~~successor shall be appointed for a four-year term.~~ **The medical executive committee**
8 **shall make any such appointments prior to the expiration of the expiring term**
9 **or within thirty days after receipt of written notice from the governing**
10 **authority of Iberia Parish that any such term is about to expire, whichever**
11 **occurs later. The medical staff members eligible for service on the Board of**
12 **Commissioners of Iberia Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 shall be**
13 **physicians who are fully credentialed and in good standing with the medical**
14 **executive committee. The medical executive committee shall use all reasonable**
15 **means to involve as many of the physician medical staff members as possible in**
16 **the process of selecting and making such appointments.**

17 (b)(i) The terms of the members of the board of commissioners in office on
18 July 1, 2001, shall expire as provided by law. Notwithstanding the provisions of
19 Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph or any other provision of this Section, the
20 successor of each such member shall be appointed for a term established by the
21 Iberia Parish Council. However, no such term shall exceed four years and the terms
22 of not more than three such successors shall expire in any one year.

23 (ii) Upon the expiration of the terms established by the Iberia Parish Council
24 for the successors appointed as provided in Item (i) of this Subparagraph, ~~each~~
25 ~~member of the board of commissioners shall serve a four-year term~~ **no member of**
26 **the board of commissioners shall serve more than three consecutive terms.**
27 **However, service as a result of appointment or election to fill an unexpired term**
28 **shall not be considered for such purposes.**

29 **(iii) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subparagraph (a) of this**

executive committee.

Proposed law provides further that no member of the board shall serve more than three consecutive terms; however, any service as part of another member's unexpired term shall not be counted.

Proposed law provides for transition for current board members. Also provides that a vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the predecessor's appointment.

Effective August 1, 2019.

(Amends R.S. 46:1053(B)(4))