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Abstract: Removes one appointee from the La. Strawberry Marketing Board to reduce the membership <u>from</u> 12 <u>to</u> 11 and allows the resident coordinator of the LSU Agriculture Experiment Station at Hammond to appoint a designee.

Present law creates the La. Strawberry Marketing Board and provides for 12 members.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the following nine members shall be appointed by the commissioner of agriculture and forestry and confirmed by the Senate:

- (1) Seven practicing strawberry producers.
- (2) One agricultural chemical dealer, representative, or consultant with knowledge of the strawberry industry.
- (3) One consumer with knowledge of the strawberry industry.

<u>Proposed law</u> removes the agricultural chemical dealer, representative, or consultant with knowledge of the strawberry industry appointment.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the commissioner or his designee, the resident coordinator of the LSU Agriculture Experiment Station at Hammond, and the chairman of the Ponchatoula Strawberry Festival shall serve as ex officio members and have all the rights and responsibilities of appointed members.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and allows the resident coordinator of the LSU Agriculture Experiment Station at Hammond to appoint a designee.

(Amends R.S. 3:730.3(B))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Agriculture</u>, Forestry, Aquaculture, and Rural Development to the original bill:

1. Allow the resident coordinator of the LSU Agriculture Experiment Station at Hammond to appoint a designee to the La. Strawberry Marketing Board.