

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

**ACT 357 (SB 411)**

**2020 Regular Session**

**Barrow**

Prior law established the Bethany Convention Center Development District in East Baton Rouge Parish.

New law changes the name from Bethany Convention Center Development District to Baker Economic Development District and Convention Center.

Prior law provided for a three member board of commissioners as follows:

- (1) The mayor of the city of Baker, or his designee.
- (2) Each council member of the Baker City Council.
- (3) A member appointed by the board of directors of the Baker Chamber of Commerce who shall serve at the pleasure of the board.

New law provides for a seven member board of commissioner as follows:

- (1) The mayor of the city of Baker, or his designee.
- (2) The mayor of the city of Baker shall appoint one member.
- (3) The Baker City Council shall appoint one member who's elected to the city council.
- (4) The member of the Louisiana State Senate who represents District 15 shall appoint one member.
- (5) The member of the Louisiana House of Representatives who represents District 63 shall appoint one member.
- (6) The board of directors of the Baker Chamber of Commerce shall appoint one member who is serving or has served as president of the chamber's board.
- (7) The Baker City School Board shall appoint one member from a list of nominees submitted to the School Board.

New law further provides for the board of commissioners to serve a three-year term and at the expiration of the term of office, the successors are to be appointed in the same manner as the predecessor appointees were selected. New law further requires the board to elect a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and a parliamentarian.

Prior law required that the domicile of the board is to be at a location within the district or at Baker City Hall. New law requires that the domicile of the board is to be at a location within the district.

Effective upon signature of the governor (June 12, 2020).

(Amends R.S. 33:9038.71(A), (B), and (D))