

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 421

BY REPRESENTATIVE GREGORY MILLER

LEVEES/BDS & DISTRICTS: Establishes minimum requirements for a levee commissioner

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 38:304(A), relative to the requirements for a levee  
3 commissioner; to provide relative to the language and education requirement for a  
4 levee commissioner; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 38:304(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §304. Appointment of members; residency and education requirements; filling of  
8 vacancies

9 A.(1) Any person appointed a levee commissioner or levee and drainage  
10 commissioner must have resided in this state the preceding two years, resided in the  
11 levee district the preceding year, be a qualified voter of one of the parishes included  
12 in the district, and reside in the district while serving as a member of the board.

13 (2) Any person appointed a levee commissioner or levee and draining  
14 commissioner must be proficient in reading and writing in English and shall possess  
15 a high school diploma or its equivalent as determined by the State Board of  
16 Elementary and Secondary Education by the date the member is nominated.

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**DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Adds a language and education requirement as a prerequisite for appointment as a levee commissioner or levee and draining commissioner.

Present law requires a levee commissioner or levee and draining commissioner to have resided in this state the preceding two years, resided in the levee district the preceding year, be a qualified voter of one of the parishes included in the district, and reside in the district while serving as a member of the board.

Proposed law maintains present law and requires any person appointed a levee commissioner or levee and draining commissioner be able to read and write the English language correctly and possess a high school diploma or its equivalent as determined by the State Bd. of Elementary and Secondary Education by the date the member is nominated.

(Amends R.S. 38:304(A))