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Abstract: Expands the boundaries of the Delta Agriculture Research and Sustainability District, reduces the size of the board of commissioners, and authorizes the board of commissioners to hire a chief executive officer.

<u>Present law</u> creates the Delta Agriculture Research and Sustainability District (district) within the parishes of East Carroll and Tensas.

Proposed law expands the district to include the parishes of Concordia and Madison.

<u>Present law</u> creates the board of commissioners (board) consisting of 26 members from various entities within the district and from outside.

Proposed law reduces the size of the board by five seats by eliminating the following positions:

- (1) The president of the local governing authority for the parish of East Carroll or his designee.
- (2) The president of the local governing authority for the parish of Concordia or his designee.
- (3) The president of the local governing authority for the parish of Madison or his designee.
- (4) The president of the local governing authority for the parish of Tensas or his designee.
- (5) The president of the Louisiana Cotton and Grain Association or his designee as an ex officio nonvoting member.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the board to hire a chief executive officer and establish the duties, responsibilities, salary, and benefits of the position.

(Amends R.S. 3:341(D) and 342(A); Adds R.S. 3:342(J))