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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.

<u>Proposed law</u> 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 Assoc. 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)(intro. para.); Adds R.S. 3:342(J); Repeals R.S. 3:342(A)(3)-(6) and (26))