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ACT No. 378

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 319

BY REPRESENTATIVE CREWS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 2:602(A)(1) and to enact R.S. 2:602(A)(3) and (4), relative to the appointment and qualifications of the Shreveport Airport Authority commissioners; to require the appointment of at least one commissioner with aviation experience after a certain date; to require documentation evidencing the requisite experience; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of Louisiana.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 2:602(A)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 2:602(A)(3) and (4) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

§602. Creation of airport authority

A.(1) Any governing body of a subdivision may, by resolution, create a public body to be known as an airport authority which shall be authorized to exercise its functions upon the appointment and qualification of the first commissioners thereof. Upon the adoption of a resolution creating an airport authority, the governing body of the subdivision shall, pursuant to the resolution, appoint not less than five persons but not more than nine persons as commissioners of the authority. The commissioners shall be appointed to serve staggered terms of no less than one year, but not more than five years, except that vacancies occurring otherwise than by the expiration of term shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment. Where the governing body of a subdivision creates an airport authority by resolution, such authority shall be perpetually in existence until...
revoked by resolution of said governing body. Any airport district created by special act of the legislature shall be able to adopt a resolution or ordinance or take other action by vote of a majority of the quorum.

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(3) At the expiration of a term occurring after August 1, 2022, the Shreveport Airport Authority shall appoint at least one commissioner who has a Federal Aviation Administration private pilot's license or has served as a required aviation crew member in the United States. Documentation shall be provided to comply with this requirement. Thereafter, the Shreveport Airport Authority shall make appointments in a manner to ensure that at least one member who either has a Federal Aviation Administration private pilot's license or has served as a required aviation crew member in the United States is always seated.

(4) Where the governing body of a subdivision creates an airport authority by resolution, such authority shall be perpetually in existence until revoked by resolution of the governing body. Any airport district created by a special act of the legislature shall be able to adopt a resolution or ordinance or take other action by vote of a majority of the quorum.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____________________

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