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SB 136 Reengrossed                                      DIGEST                                      2023 Regular Session                                      Barrow

Present law provides relative to the Baton Rouge North Economic Development District.

Present law provides that the district shall be comprised of twelve members as follows:

- (1) One member shall be appointed by the state representative for House District No. 29, who shall be a representative of the business community, on a rotating basis beginning in 2022 and every other year thereafter.
- (2) Two members shall be appointed by the state senator for Senate District No. 15.
- (3) One member with a background in economic development shall be appointed by the mayor-president of the parish of East Baton Rouge.
- (4) One member shall be appointed with a community development background located within the district to be selected by a subcommittee formed by the board.
- (5) One member shall be appointed by the owner of the largest parcel of land located within the district.
- (6) One member shall be appointed by the state representative for House District No. 61, on a rotating basis beginning in 2022 and every other year thereafter.
- (7) One member shall be appointed by the state representative for House District No. 63, on a rotating basis beginning in 2022 and every other year thereafter.
- (8) One member shall be appointed by the state representative for House District No. 67, on a rotating basis beginning in 2023 and every other year thereafter.
- (9) One member shall be appointed by the state representative for House District No. 101, on a rotating basis beginning in 2023 and every other year thereafter.
- (10) One member shall be appointed by the state senator for Senate District No. 14.
- (11) One member shall be appointed by the state representative for House District No. 29, on a rotating basis beginning in 2023 and every other year thereafter.

Proposed law provides that the board consists of a total of five members. Two members shall be appointed by the state senator for District No. 14 and three members shall be selected by the state

senator for Senate District No. 15.

Proposed law provides that the board members will serve two-year terms and no more than four cumulative terms.

Present law provides that the board shall adopt such rules and regulations as it deems necessary or advisable for conducting its business affairs. It shall hold regular meetings as shall be provided in the bylaws and may hold special meetings at such times and places within the district as may be prescribed in the bylaws.

Proposed law retains present law but specifies that these rules and regulations shall include a procedure for the removal of inactive board members.

Proposed law authorizes the board to divide the district into four subdistricts. Each subdistrict shall have three advisors. Each subdistrict shall advise the board on economic development issues related to the subdistrict.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 33:2740.67(C)(1), (2), and (7); adds R.S. 33:2740.67(D)(1)(h))

#### Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

##### Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Makes changes to the appointing authority for the board of commissioners of the district.
2. Authorizes the creation of subdistricts.