## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Authorizes a parish governing authority to create a hospital service district.

Present law states that a parish police jury may create a hospital service district within the parish.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds that a parish governing authority or a police jury may create a hospital service district in a parish.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes a parish police jury to alter the boundaries of any hospital service district provided that no boundary may be changed that would impair an obligation of any contract of the hospital service district.

<u>Proposed law</u> modifies <u>present law</u> by adding the parish governing authority as an entity that may alter the boundaries of a hospital service district, provided that no boundary change shall impair the obligation of any contract of the hospital service district.

Present law creates a board of five commissioners to govern the hospital service district.

Present law states that the members of the commission are appointed by the parish police jury.

<u>Proposed law</u> clarifies that the parish police jury or the parish governing authority may appoint the members of the commission.

<u>Present law</u> states that the domicile of the hospital service district is established by the police jury.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds that the domicile of the hospital service district shall be determined by the police jury or parish governing authority.

<u>Present law</u> provides that special meetings may be called by chairman of the commission or the parish police jury.

Proposed law adds that special meetings may be called by the parish governing authority.

<u>Present law</u> provides that a hospital service district shall advise the parish police jury and hospital director on problems concerning the operation of a hospital or other facility.

Proposed law adds that the hospital service district shall advise the parish police jury, hospital

director, or parish governing authority on problems concerning the operation of a hospital or other facility.

<u>Proposed law</u> states that the entity that creates the hospital service district shall have all rights, duties, and obligations associated with the creation of a hospital service district provided for in present law.

(Amends R.S. 46:1051(A) and (B), 1053(A) and (C), 1054(B), and 1055(A)(2) and (C); Adds R.S. 46:1051(F))