

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 109

BY REPRESENTATIVE CONNICK

DISTRICTS/HOSPITAL SERVC: Provides relative to hospital service districts in Jefferson Parish

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 46:1064.2, relative to hospital service districts in Jefferson  
3 Parish; to provide relative to the lease of a hospital owned by any such district; to  
4 require voter approval of such leases; and to provide for related matters.

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

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 46:1064.2 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

10 §1064.2. Hospital service districts in Jefferson Parish; sale or lease of hospitals

11 A.~~(1)~~ Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, the sale or lease  
12 of any hospital owned by a hospital service district in Jefferson Parish shall be in  
13 accordance with the provisions of this ~~Subsection~~ Section. The provisions of this  
14 ~~Subsection~~ Section shall apply to the sale or lease of a hospital pursuant to authority  
15 granted by R.S. 33:4341 and any other authority granted by law.

16 ~~(2)~~ B. The governing authority of the hospital service district shall submit  
17 a proposition to approve the sale or lease of the hospital to the voters of the hospital  
18 service district in an election held for that purpose.

19 ~~(3)~~ C. The hospital service district shall sell or lease the hospital only if the  
20 proposed sale or lease is approved by a majority of the qualified electors of the

1 hospital service district voting on the proposition at an election held for that purpose  
2 and conducted in accordance with the Louisiana Election Code.

3 ~~B. The provisions of R.S. 33:4341 shall not apply to the lease of a hospital~~  
4 ~~by a hospital service district in Jefferson Parish, the governing authority of the~~  
5 ~~district may, by its own action, approve the lease of a hospital.~~

DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Amends procedures for lease of a hospital owned by a hospital service district in Jefferson Parish.

Present law establishes the procedure for the sale of a hospital owned by a hospital service district in Jefferson Parish. Requires the governing authority of the hospital service district to submit a proposition to approve the sale of the hospital to the voters of the district. The sale of the hospital can only proceed if a majority of the voters of the district vote to approve the sale or lease.

Proposed law retains present law and provides that the lease of a hospital is also subject to voter approval.

Present law (R.S. 33:4341) requires voter approval for the sale or lease of revenue-producing property by most local governments.

Present law provides that this requirement does not apply to the lease of a hospital by a hospital service district in Jefferson Parish. Specifically authorizes the governing authority of a district to approve such a lease by its own action. Proposed law deletes present law.

(Amends R.S. 46:1064.2)