

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT
Senate Bill No. 507 By Senator Martiny

June 2, 2014

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate and to the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning Senate Bill No. 507 by Senator Martiny, recommend the following concerning the Engrossed bill:

1. That the House Committee Amendments Nos. 1, 2, 3, 6, and 7 proposed by the House Committee on Health and Welfare and adopted by the House of Representatives on May 27, 2014, be adopted.
2. That the House Committee Amendments Nos. 4 and 5 proposed by the House Committee on Health and Welfare and adopted by the House of Representatives on May 27, 2014, be rejected.
3. That House Floor Amendments No. 1 proposed by Representative Lopinto and adopted by the House of Representatives on May 30, 2014, be rejected.
4. That the following amendments to the engrossed bill be adopted to:

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 2, line 1, change "**On or after August 1, 2014,**" to "**Regardless of a board member's dates of service, including past service,**"

Respectfully submitted,

Senators:

Representatives:

Senator Martiny

Representative Simon

Senator Heitmeier

Representative Pope

Senator Mills

Representative Stokes

The legislative instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Michelle Ducharme.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

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Keyword and summary of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

DENTISTRY. Provides relative to the practice of dentistry and the regulation of the profession. (8/1/14)

Report adopts House amendments to:

1. Delete provisions relative to the powers and duties of the Dept. of Health and Hospitals.
2. Add emergency effective date except that provisions changing domicile of the board to E.B.R. and providing for venue in the 19th JDC instead of the CDC in Orleans Parish are to become effective on January 1, 2017.
3. Make technical changes.

Report rejects House amendments which would have:

1. Provided that the ten year limit of a board member's service be effective January 1, 2017.

Report amends the bill to:

1. Provide that the ten year limit of a board member's service applies to every member, regardless of the dates of service, including past service.

Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

Present law provides for terms of members of the La. State Board of Dentistry ("board").

Proposed law provides that regardless of a member's dates of service, including past service, no person shall serve more than a total of 10 years on the board, whether such service consists of full or partial terms, or is consecutive or not.

Proposed law provides that proposed law shall not prevent a board member serving on August 1, 2014, from completing his term of service, but shall thereafter apply.

Present law provides that the domicile of the board shall be the city of New Orleans.

Proposed law changes the domicile of the board to the parish of East Baton Rouge.

Present law provides that judicial review of a decision of the board shall be in the civil district court for the parish of Orleans.

Proposed law changes the venue of judicial review of a decision of the board to the 19th Judicial District in East Baton Rouge Parish.

Proposed law provides for an effective date of Jan. 1, 2017 as to for provisions of domicile of the board (R.S. 37:753(I) and the court for purposes of filing suits (R.S. 37:786(A)(1) and (C)).

Remaining provisions are effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 37:753(E) and (I) and 786(A)(1) and (C))