

Prior law authorized local governmental subdivisions (parishes and municipalities) to establish various special districts for a variety of purposes including road development, recreation, economic development, water, sewerage, etc. In some cases, the governing authority of the local governmental subdivision that created the special district serves as the governing authority of the special district.

New law provides that if an action of the special district's governing authority requires the approval of the local governmental subdivision's governing authority and the local governmental subdivision's governing authority also serves as the special district's governing authority, the action of the special district's governing authority and the approval by the local governmental subdivision's governing authority may occur in one meeting of the local governmental subdivision's governing authority.

New law limits its application to instances where the members of the local governmental subdivision's governing authority and the special district's governing authority are identical in number and in name.

New law requires the governing authority of a local governmental subdivision and the governing authority of a special district to independently follow any notice requirements applicable to any actions taken by such entity.

Effective upon signature of governor (June 18, 2014).

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