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SB 99 Reengrossed

2017 Regular Session

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Present law creates the St. Tammany Parish Development District and its board of commissioners. Provides that the board consists of 13 persons, including four members appointed by the St. Tammany Parish president, four members appointed by the St. Tammany Parish council, three members appointed by the St. Tammany Economic Development Foundation, the St. Tammany Parish president or his designee, and the executive director of the St. Tammany Economic Development Foundation.

Present law requires the board to meet in regular session monthly and to meet in special session as often as the president of the board convenes them or on the written request of four members.

Present law provides for the board to elect from among its own members a president, a vice president, a secretary, an executive director, and a treasurer.

Proposed law reduces the board from 13 to 11 members and removes present law provision for membership. Provides for members of the board to be nominated by the existing board of commissioners and submitted to the St. Tammany Parish council for approval. Proposed law removes provision that the board elect an executive director from among its own members.

Proposed law provides for commissioners to serve three-year terms of office except in the case of shorter initial terms.

Present law authorizes the board to contract with or employ attorneys, clerks, engineers, deputy commissioners, and other agents and employees and shall fix their compensation and terms of employment. Proposed law authorizes the board to contract with or employ an executive director.

Proposed law provides for records in the custody of the district pertaining to an active negotiation with a person for the purpose of retaining, expanding, or attracting economic or business development in St. Tammany Parish are to be confidential on the same basis as such records in the custody of the Dept. of Economic Development with the district's executive director performing the duties and obligations of the secretary of the department and the official journal of St. Tammany Parish substituted for the official journal of the state.

Provides for the term of office for members serving on the effective date of the Act shall terminate on Jan. 1, 2018, or upon the official appointment by the council of St. Tammany Parish of a new slate of board members, whichever is later.

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

(Amends R.S. 33:130.401(A), 130.402(A), (B), (D), (E), (F) and (G), and 130.409(A) and R.S. 44:4.1(B)(20); Adds R.S. 33:130.409(D))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Makes Legislative Bureau technical amendments.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to the reengrossed bill:

1. Add a reference to the proposed limitation on public records to the Public Records Law.
2. Make technical changes.