
DIGEST

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HB 519 Original

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Crews

Abstract: Requires airport authorities to have at least one commissioner with pilot or aviation crew member experience.

Present law authorizes a governing body of a subdivision to create an airport authority, and authorizes the authority to exercise its functions when appointed as a qualified commissioner. Present law requires the governing body to appoint five to nine commissioners of the authority. Present law requires the commissioners to serve staggered terms between one and five years, unless the vacancy occurs before the expiration of the term, then the vacancy will be filled for the remainder of the term.

Proposed law requires the governing body of the subdivision to appoint at least one commissioner who has a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) private pilot's license or has served as a required aviation crew member in the U.S. military upon the expiration of a term occurring after Aug. 1, 2020.

Proposed law requires documentation be provided to comply with this requirement. Further requires that the board ensure through subsequent appointments that at least one member who either has a FAA private pilot's license or has served as a required aviation crew member in the U.S. military is always a part of the authority.

Present law mandates that when a governing body creates an airport authority by resolution, the authority is perpetually in existence until revoked by said body. Specifies that any airport district created by special act of the legislature is able to adopt a resolution or ordinance or take action by a vote of a majority of the quorum.

Proposed law retains present law but reorders it to a new number.

(Amends R.S. 2:602(A))