
DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for the composition of the commissioners, selection process, and terms of Avoyelles Parish Port Commissioners.

Present law created a commission, known as the Avoyelles Parish Port Commission, to be composed of nine members.

Proposed law changes the number of commissioners from nine to seven commissioners.

Present law requires each member of the police jury of Avoyelles Parish to submit a list of three nominees from his respective district to the legislators representing House District 28, Senate District 28, and Senate District 32, and requires a majority of the legislators to appoint one nominee from each list of nominees to serve as commissioners.

Proposed law requires the police jury to select four commissioners, the Town of Simmesport to select one commissioner, the representative of House District 28 to select one commissioner, and the senators representing Senate District 28 and Senate District 32 to collectively select one commissioner.

Present law requires any commissioners appointed to serve a term of four years.

Proposed law requires the commissioners to be appointed every four years and serve staggered terms as follows:

- (1) Two members will serve a term of two years.
- (2) Two members will serve a term of three years.
- (3) Three members will serve a term of four years.

Proposed law requires the terms of the respective members to be determined by a random selection at the first meeting of the board. Proposed law requires the term end on Jan. 31st of the termed year, the selection process to commence one Feb. 1st, and the selection process to be completed within 30 days.

Proposed law requires the provisions of this Act become effective on Jan. 1, 2024.

(Amends R.S. 34:1801(A)(1), (2), and (3))