DIGEST

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HB No. 1100

Abstract: Provides for the membership of the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners.

<u>Present law</u> creates the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners within the Department of Health and Hospitals.

<u>Present law</u> provides that until Jan. 1, 2000, the board will consist of seven members appointed by the governor, and confirmed by the Senate, from a list of names submitted by the La. State Medical Society and the La. Medical Association. <u>Present law</u> further requires that at least one of the members be a physician practicing in a parish or municipality with a population of less than 20,000, and at least one member be appointed from a list submitted by the La. Medical Association.

Proposed law deletes present law.

<u>Present law</u> provides that beginning Jan. 1, 2000, the board will consist of seven voting members all appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Senate as follows:

- (1) Four members from a list of names submitted by the La. State Medical Society, one of whom practices in a municipality or parish with a population of less than 20,000.
- (2) Two members from a list submitted by the La. Medical Association.
- (3) One member from a list submitted by the La. Academy of Family Practice Physicians.

Proposed law changes the date in present law from Jan. 1, 2000, to Sept. 1, 2014.

<u>Present law</u> requires that all voting members be graduate physicians or surgeons and practitioners.

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that beginning Sept. 1, 2014, two additional members will be appointed to the board, bringing the board membership to nine voting members.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the additional members will be appointed by the governor, confirmed by the Senate, and will be chosen from a list of names submitted by the chancellors of the LSU

Health Sciences Center at New Orleans, the LSU Health Sciences Center at Shreveport, and the Tulane University School of Medicine.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires that at least one of the newly appointed members must practice in a surgical specialty.

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

(Amends R.S. 37:1263(B))