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## DIGEST

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HB 810 Engrossed

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Chaney

**Abstract:** Allows a physician who serves on the board of a hospital service district in certain parishes to be employed by the hospital over which the board exercises jurisdiction.

Present law (R.S. 42:1113—Code of Governmental Ethics) prohibits an appointed member of a board or commission, member of his immediate family, or legal entity in which he has a substantial economic interest from bidding on or enter into or being in any way interested in any contract, subcontract, or other transaction which is under the supervision or jurisdiction of the agency of the appointed member.

Present law (R.S. 42:1112) prohibits a public servant from participating in a transaction in which he has a personal substantial economic interest of which he may be reasonably expected to know involving the governmental entity.

Present law (R.S. 42:1123(18)) allows a licensed physician who is a member of a board of commissioners for any hospital service district authorized by present law (Ch. 10 of Title 46) located within a parish which has a population of 125,000 or less to contract with the hospital over which the board exercises jurisdiction, to subcontract with another provider who contracts with such hospital, or to own an interest in an entity that contracts with such hospital. However, requires the licensed physician to recuse himself from participating in any transaction before the board relating to any contracts entered into by him, or by a provider with which he subcontracts, or by any entity in which he owns an interest, and permitted by present law.

Proposed law retains present law. Additionally allows a licensed physician who is a member of a board of commissioners for any hospital service district authorized by present law (Ch. 10 of Title 46) located within a parish which has a population of 125,000 or less to be employed by the hospital over which the board exercises jurisdiction. Requires the licensed physician to recuse himself from participating in any transaction before the board relating to his employment with the hospital.

(Amends R.S. 42:1123(18)(a))