

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

HB 870

2018 Regular Session

Garofalo

Present law established a 15 member board of commissioners for the La. International Deep Water Gulf Transfer Terminal, consisting of the secretary of the Dept. of Economic Development and the secretary of the Dept. of Transportation and Development, the chairman of the House and Senate committees on transportation, highways, and public works or their designees and 11 commissioners to be appointed by the governor.

New law would have reduced the membership of the board from 15 to nine by removing the chairmen of the House and Senate committees on transportation, highways, and public works.

Present law required four members be appointed by the governor: (1) one member from a list of three submitted by the Ports Association of La.; (2) one member from a list of three submitted by the La. Association of Business and Industry; (3) one member at large; and (4) one member from a list of two submitted by the La. River Pilots' Association and the La. Maritime Association.

New law would have required the commissioners be chosen as follows: one member selected from a list of three nominees submitted by the Ports Association of La.; one member selected from a list of three nominees submitted by the La. Association of Business and Industry; one member selected from a list of three nominees submitted by the La. Maritime Association; one member selected from a list of three nominees submitted by the La. River Pilots Association; two members at large; one member appointed by the American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organizations; one member selected from a list of three nominees submitted by the president of the La. State Senate; one member selected from a list of three nominees submitted by the speaker of the La. House of Representatives; one member selected from a list of three nominees, who are residents of Plaquemines Parish, submitted jointly by the chief executive officer and the governing authority of Plaquemines Parish; and one member selected by the N.O. Public Belt Railway, and appointed by the governor, who must be a nonvoting member.

New law would have removed the member from the House that is selected from a list of three names submitted by the speaker of the La. House of Representatives and removes the member from the Senate that is selected from a list of three nominees submitted by the president of the La. State Senate.

New law would have removed the member selected from a list of three names submitted jointly by the chief executive officer and the governing authority of Plaquemines Parish.

New law would have removed the member selected by the N.O. Public Belt Railway and appointed by the governor.

New law would have removed the member that is selected from a list of three names submitted by the La. Maritime Association and the member that is selected from a list of three names submitted by the La. River Pilots' Association, and added that one member shall be selected from a list of two nominees, with one nominee being jointly submitted by the Associated Branch Pilots of the Port of Orleans, the Crescent River Port Pilots Association, and the New Orleans-Baton Rouge Steamship Pilots Association, and one nominee submitted by the La. Maritime Association.

New law would have added one member, who may be the state representative in the House of Representatives district that encompasses the La. International Deep Water Gulf Transfer Terminal project, unless he decides not to serve, at which time a resident of the of Plaquemines or St. Bernard parishes must be appointed by the legislative delegation of Plaquemines or St. Bernard parishes. Further would have provided that if the appointee is a legislator, the term of the appointment will run concurrent with the term in office. Also would have provided that if the appointee is a member of the legislative delegation, the member is not required to be a resident of Plaquemines or St. Bernard parishes.

New law would have added one member, who could have been the state senator in the Senate district that encompasses the La. International Deep Water Gulf Transfer Terminal project,

unless he decided not to serve, at which time a resident of Plaquemines or St. Bernard parishes would have had to be appointed by the legislative delegation of Plaquemines or St. Bernard parishes. Further would have provided that if the appointee is a legislator, the term of the appointment would run concurrent with the term in office. Also would have provided that if the appointee is a member of the legislative delegation, the member would not be required to be a resident of Plaquemines or St. Bernard parishes.

New law would have provided that if the member was a legislator and was unable to attend a meeting, he could have named one person as his designee to act on his behalf who would have had to be included when determining a quorum. Further would have provided that the designee will have full voting rights.

Present law specifies that the commissioners appointed are appointed for terms of six years and that no commissioner can serve more than two consecutive terms.

New law would have relocated this provision.

Present law requires the board of commissioners to seek the approval of the House and Senate committees on transportation, highways, and public works and the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget prior to the adoption of any rule or regulation for the maintenance and operation of the authority.

New law would have removed present law.

Present law requires the board of commissioners elect a president, two vice-presidents, a secretary, and a treasurer from among the members of the board.

New law would have reduced the number of vice-presidents to be elected from two to one.

Present law specifies that all matters to be acted upon by the board of commissioners or the executive board require the affirmative vote of a majority of the board, with the exception that the affirmative vote of not less than 10 commissioners is required to select the executive director.

New law would have changed present law by requiring the affirmative vote of a majority of the members present constituting a quorum, and reduced the number of affirmative votes of commissioners to select the executive director from 10 to six.

Present law requires the board to make an annual report to the governor, the House and Senate committees on transportation, highways, and public works, and the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget.

New law would have removed the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget from the entities to which the board must make an annual report.

New law would have specified that after the effective date of new law a member in an unaltered seat will continue to serve the unexpired portion of the term.

(Proposed to amend R.S. 34:3494(A), (B), and (C), 3495(A), (C), and (G), and 3496(A))

VETO MESSAGE:

"The Louisiana International Deep Water Gulf Transfer Terminal (LIGTT) Authority requested this bill to be filed, and because of an unintended change in the bill as finally passed, it has requested that it be vetoed."

Please be advised that I have vetoed House Bill No. 870 of the 2018 Regular Session.