

2020 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 375

BY REPRESENTATIVE FARNUM

DISTRICTS/DRAINAGE: Provides relative to gravity drainage districts in Calcasieu Parish

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 38:1794(A)(2)(c), relative to gravity drainage districts in
3 Calcasieu Parish; to provide relative to per diem paid to members of the governing
4 boards of such districts; to provide relative to the number of meetings for which
5 members may be paid; and to provide for related matters.

6 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
7 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of
8 Louisiana.

9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

10 Section 1. R.S. 38:1794(A)(2)(c) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as
11 follows:

12 §1794. Meetings of commissioners; powers; salaries and expenses

13 A. The provisions of this Subsection pertain to commissioners of gravity
14 drainage districts in Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, notwithstanding any provisions of
15 other Subsections in this Section to the contrary. The words "commissioner",
16 "commissioners", or "board of commissioners" used in this Subsection ~~shall~~ mean
17 and refer to commissioners of drainage districts in Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.

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1 (c) ~~Each~~ No member of the board of commissioners ~~shall not be paid per~~
 2 ~~diem for more than thirty-six days in any one year, except that members of the board~~
 3 ~~of commissioners of the Calcasieu Parish~~ Consolidated Gravity Drainage District
 4 No. ~~4~~ 1 and the ~~Calcasieu Parish~~ Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. ~~5~~ 2 of
 5 Calcasieu Parish shall ~~not~~ be paid per diem for more than forty-eight days in any one
 6 year. However, the president may receive a per diem for not more than twelve
 7 additional days for each day spent performing administrative duties if such additional
 8 compensation is approved by a two-thirds vote of the entire board at a meeting of the
 9 board.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides relative to per diem paid to members of the governing board of drainage districts in Calcasieu Parish.

Present law provides that each member of the board of commissioners of gravity drainage districts in Calcasieu Parish shall not be paid per diem for more than 36 days in any one year. Further provides for an exception for members of the board of commissioners of the Calcasieu Parish Drainage District No. 4 and the Calcasieu Parish Drainage District No. 5, whom shall not be paid per diem for more than 48 days in any one year.

Proposed law provides instead that each member of the board of commissioners of the Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 1 and the Consolidated Gravity Drainage District No. 2 of Calcasieu Parish shall not be paid per diem for more than 48 days in any one year. Further provides that the president may receive a per diem for not more than 12 additional days for each day spent performing administrative duties, subject to approval of a 2/3 vote of the entire board.

Present law provides that the maximum per diem for such commissioners is \$150. Proposed law retains present law.

(Amends R.S. 38:1794(A)(2)(c))