

2025 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 113

BY SENATOR SEABAUGH

LOCAL AGENCIES. Provides for term limits and qualifications for the DeSoto Parish Police Jury. (8/1/25)

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:1221.3, relative to police jury; to provide relative to the police jury of DeSoto Parish; to provide relative to term of office and qualifications; to provide relative to limits on term of office; to provide for prospective applications; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 33:1221.3 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§1221.3. DeSoto Parish Police Jury; term of members

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no person who has been elected to serve as a police juror in DeSoto Parish for more than two and one-half terms in three consecutive terms shall be eligible to be a police juror for the succeeding term. The limit on the number of terms a member of the police jury in DeSoto Parish may serve shall be subject to approval of a majority of the electors voting at an election held on November 3, 2026.

Section 2. The provisions of this Act shall have prospective application only and shall not apply to police jurors elected prior to the effective date of this Act.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Senate Legislative Services. The keyword, summary, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

DIGEST

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Present law (R.S. 33:1221) provides that police jurors shall serve four year terms.

Proposed law retains present law but provides that no person who has been elected to serve as a police juror in DeSoto Parish for more than two and one-half terms in three consecutive terms shall be eligible to be a police juror for the succeeding term.

Proposed law provides that the limit on the number of terms a member of the police jury in DeSoto Parish may serve shall be subject to approval of a majority of the electors voting at an election held on November 3, 2026.

Proposed law provides that proposed law shall have prospective application only and shall not apply to police jurors elected prior to the effective date of proposed law.

Effective August 1, 2025.

(Adds R.S. 33:1221.3)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Provides for an exact election date for purposes of determining if there shall be limits placed on the number of terms a member of the police jury in DeSoto Parish may serve.