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DIGEST

SB 69 Original

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Present law (R.S. 34:1951) provides that upon the expiration of the term of each member whose term expires as provided in present law or the creation of a vacancy in the seat of any such member, whichever occurs first, the governor shall appoint the successor to the member, subject to Senate confirmation, as follows and in the following order:

- (1) One member from a list of three nominees submitted by the senator representing Senate District Six.
- (2) One member from a list of three nominees submitted by the representative representing House of Rep. District 73.
- (3) One member from a list of three nominees submitted by the senator representing Senate District 11.
- (4) One member from a list of three nominees submitted by the Ponchatoula Chamber of Commerce.
- (5) One member from a list of three nominees submitted by the Tangipahoa Chamber of Commerce.
- (6) One member from a list of three nominees submitted by the Tangipahoa Economic Development Foundation.
- (7) One member from a list of three nominees submitted by the senator representing Senate District Six, the representative representing House of Rep. District 73, and the senator representing Senate District 11.

Proposed law retains present law but changes the nominating process so that the senator representing Senate District 37 replaces the senators representing Senate District Six and Senate District 11.

Proposed law makes a technical change by correcting the spelling of Ponchatoula in present law.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 34:1951(B)(2)(a), (c), (d), and (g))