Regular Session, 2011

HOUSE BILL NO. 474

BY REPRESENTATIVE HARRISON

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

DISTRICTS/WATER/FRESH: Provides relative to the membership of the board of commissioners of certain fresh water districts

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 38:3086.27, relative to fresh water districts; to provide relative to the board of commissioners of certain fresh water districts; to provide relative to the appointment and terms of board members; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 38:3086.27 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

§3086.27. Board of commissioners; fresh water district

A. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, each member of the board of commissioners of a multi-parish fresh water district composed of some or all of the following parishes shall be appointed by the governor:

(1) Any parish with a population of not greater than one hundred fifteen thousand persons and not fewer than eighty-five thousand persons according to the most recent federal decennial census.

(2) Any parish with a population of not greater than twenty-three thousand seven hundred persons and not fewer than twenty-three thousand one hundred persons according to the most recent federal decennial census.

B. Appointments made pursuant to the provisions of this Section shall be from a list of names submitted to the governor by the governing authority of each parish. Each list shall contain twice the number of names as the number of appointments to the board from that parish.

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Section 2. The terms of the members of the board of commissioners provided for in this Act who are in office on the effective date of this Act shall terminate on that effective date. Board members shall be appointed to fill the vacancies on the board pursuant to the provisions of this Act. This Section shall not be construed to prevent reappointment to the commission of a member in office on the effective date of this Act.

DIGEST

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Harrison HB No. 474

Abstract: Provides that the members of the board of commissioners of certain fresh water districts shall be appointed by the governor.

Proposed law provides that notwithstanding any provisions of present law to the contrary, each member of the board of commissioners of a multi-parish fresh water district composed of some or all of the following parishes shall be appointed by the governor:

(1) Any parish with a population between 85,000-115,000 persons.

(2) Any parish with a population between 23,100-23,700 persons.

Provides that appointments made by the governor shall be from a list of names submitted by the governing authority of each parish. Further provides that each list contain twice the number of names as the number of appointments to the board from that parish.

Provides that the terms of board members serving in office on the effective date of proposed law shall terminate on such date; that new board members shall be appointed to fill the board vacancies pursuant to proposed law; and that proposed law shall not be construed to prevent the reappointment to the commission of a member in office on such effective date.

(Adds R.S. 38:3086.27)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill.

1. Provided that appointments made by the governor shall be from a list of names submitted by the governing authority of each parish. Further provided that each list contain twice the number of names as the number of appointments to the board from that parish.

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