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## DIGEST

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HB No. 292

**Abstract:** Provides for an election in most local school districts to determine whether the members of the school board in each respective district shall have term limits of three consecutive four-year terms.

Proposed law provides for an election in every school district, with limited exceptions, on Nov. 6, 2012, to determine whether the members of the school board in each district shall have term limits. Specifies that if such term limitation is approved by a majority of the qualified electors, then each member of the school board of that district who at the end of his term of office will have served as a member for more than 2-½ terms in three consecutive terms, such service being during terms that began on or after Jan. 1, 2014, shall not be elected to the board for the succeeding term. Provides that if a majority of the qualified electors vote against such proposition, then the term limitation shall not apply in that district.

Specifies the ballot language to be used in the election and requires the secretary of state to prepare the ballot. Requires that the election be conducted in accordance with the La. Election Code and provides that the costs of the election shall be borne by the state.

Provides that proposed law shall not be applicable to the Recovery School District, the governing authority of any charter school, school districts where voters have already approved term limits for school board members (Lafayette Parish), or school districts in which school board members are subject to term limits by law (Jefferson Parish).

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 17:60.4)

### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

#### House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill.

1. Relative to initial implementation of term limits, provides that limits apply to terms which begin on or after Jan. 1, 2014, rather than terms which begin on or after Jan 1, 2010.