
DIGEST

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HB No. 906

Abstract: Provides that the zoning board of adjustment in any parish with a population of not less than 43,000 persons and not more than 46,000 persons shall consist of seven members.

Present law generally authorizes the governing authority of a parish to provide for the appointment of a zoning board of adjustment. Provides that the governing authority may, through regulations and restrictions adopted pursuant to present law, authorize the board to determine and vary the application of such regulations and restrictions in harmony with their general purpose and intent.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that the zoning board of adjustment shall consist of five members and may include two alternate members. Requires all members to be landowners and qualified voters of the parish. Requires members to serve five-year staggered terms.

Proposed law retains present law but provides an exception for any parish with a population of not less than 43,000 persons and not more than 46,000 persons according the latest federal decennial census. Provides that the zoning board of adjustment in any such parish shall consist of seven members and shall not include any alternates. Requires each member of the board of adjustment in any such parish to be a resident and qualified voter of the parish. Further requires the additional members to serve five-year staggered terms.

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

(Amends R.S. 33:4780.46(A)(2))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs to the original bill.

1. Changes number of members of the zoning board of adjustment in parishes covered by proposed law from nine to seven.