

Existing 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 existing law, authorize the board to determine and vary the application of such regulations and restrictions in harmony with their general purpose and intent.

Existing 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.

New law provides an exception for any parish with a population of 43,000 to 46,000 persons. 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.

Effective upon signature of governor (June 7, 2012).

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