

Existing law generally authorizes parishes to create recreation districts and provides for governance of such districts by a governing board comprised of five or seven members.

New law provides that any recreational district located in a parish with a population of not less than 33,500 and not more than 35,000 persons shall be governed by a board of commissioners composed of nine members as follows:

- (1) Three members appointed by the parish governing authority.
- (2) Three members appointed by the board of aldermen of the most populous municipality located in the parish according to the latest federal decennial census, with the concurrence of the mayor.
- (3) Three members appointed jointly by the members of the legislature who represent the representative or senatorial district(s) in which the district is located.

New law provides that revenue generated by the assets of the district may be allocated to the promotion or sponsorship of athletic-and health-related activities in the district in addition to other matters provided by law.

New law authorizes the board to create an advisory committee for the purpose of making recommendations to the board regarding recreational programming and enrichment activities in the district. Provides relative to the membership of the committee.

New law provides that if any conflict exists between the provisions of new law and those of any other act adopted by the legislature during the 2012 R.S., the provisions of new law will prevail, regardless of which Act is adopted later or signed later by the governor.

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