

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 133

BY REPRESENTATIVE ANDERS

PORTS/VIDALIA: Provides with respect to the Vidalia Port Commission

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 34:1861(A) and (B) and 1863(A), relative to the Vidalia Port
3 Commission; to provide relative to the residency requirement for membership and
4 the boundaries of the commission; and to provide for related matters.

5 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
6 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of
7 Louisiana.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 34:1861(A) and (B) and 1863(A) are hereby amended and reenacted
10 to read as follows:

11 §1861. Creation of Vidalia Port Commission

12 A. There is hereby created a commission to be known as the Vidalia Port
13 Commission, which shall be composed of five members, who shall be residents of
14 the town of Vidalia parish of Concordia, who shall serve without compensation, and
15 who shall be appointed by the governing authority of the town of Vidalia.

16 B. Of the commissioners initially appointed by the governing authority of
17 the town of Vidalia, two shall be appointed for a term of two years, two shall be
18 appointed for a term of four years, and the remaining commissioner shall be

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appointed for a term of six years. Thereafter, the successors to each of the

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commissioners shall be appointed for terms of ~~six~~ four years.

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§1863. Limits of the district

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A. The commission shall exercise the powers herein conferred upon it,

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within the port area, consisting of the entire ~~town of Vidalia~~ parish of Concordia as

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the boundaries and limits of said ~~town~~ parish are presently or hereafter fixed by law

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and extending southward of said municipal limits to the northern boundary of the

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Forrest-Moreau Plantation and all the land fronting the Mississippi River to a depth

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of five hundred feet from low water's edge.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Expands the Vidalia Port Commission to include all of Concordia Parish.

Present law requires commission members to be residents of the town of Vidalia. Provides for staggered terms for the initially appointed commissioners. Thereafter, provides for six-year terms for successor appointments.

Proposed law changes the residency requirement to the parish of Concordia. Changes the term of successor appointments from six- to four-year terms.

Present law provides the commission powers within the port area, consisting of the entire town of Vidalia.

Proposed law grants the commission powers within the entire parish of Concordia.

(Amends R.S. 34:1861(A) and (B) and 1863(A))