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Pope HB No. 1109

Abstract: Authorizes a planning commission located in any municipality with a population of not less than 6,125 persons and not more than 6,500 persons to cancel monthly meetings of the commission under certain circumstances.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes municipal and parish planning commissions to adopt master plans to provide for the physical development of their respective municipality or parish.

<u>Present law</u> provides generally that parish and municipal planning commissions consists of not less than five nor more than nine members. Provides that members of a parish planning commission are appointed by the parish governing authority and members of a municipal planning commission are appointed by the chief executive of the municipality. Generally requires members to serve without compensation. Provides exceptions.

<u>Present law</u> requires a commission to elect a chairman from its membership and to create and fill other offices as it may determine. Provides that the term of chairman is one year, with eligibility for reelection. Further requires the commission to adopt rules for the transaction of business and to keep a record of its resolutions, transactions, findings, and determinations.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law requires a commission to hold at least one regular meeting in each month.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes a commission located in any municipality with a population of not less than 6,125 persons and not more than 6,500 persons to cancel monthly meetings of the commission if there are no items to be placed on the agenda for the meeting. Requires the commission to provide notice to the public no less than five days prior to the scheduled meeting by placing a notice of cancellation in the official journal of the municipality in which the commission is located and by posting a copy of the notice on the door of the building in which the meeting is to be held and via the Internet on the official website of the municipality in which the commission is located.

(Amends R.S. 33:104)