## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Provides relative to per diem for members and board of commissioners of levee districts and levee and drainage districts.

Present law, in pertinent part, provides that each levee district and levee and drainage district in the state, any board of commissioners of any levee district and levee and drainage district in this state may by a vote of 2/3 of the total membership of the board fix the per diem of its members; however, the per diem of each member cannot exceed \$75 during the time such member is in actual attendance upon the board or performing duties authorized by the board. Specifies that the per diem may be payable for 36 days per year. Provides that during the period of an emergency as determined by the governor, each district which has been declared to be under such an emergency by the governor may be authorized to hold as many meetings or emergency activities as the board deems necessary and the members shall be paid per diem for such meetings or activities. Authorizes the reimbursement of each member for travel expenses in accordance with state travel regulations as prescribed by the Division of Administration.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> except ties the per diem rate of members and board of commissioners of levee districts and levee and drainage districts to the federal per diem rates.

(Amends 38:308(A))