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SENATE ENROLLED ACT No. 367

AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 36-7.5-2-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.248-2017, SECTION 4, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 3. (a) The development authority is governed by the development board appointed under this section.

(b) Except as provided in subsections (e), (f), and (h), the development board is composed of the following ~~seven (7)~~ **ten (10)** members:

(1) Two (2) members appointed by the governor. One (1) of the members appointed by the governor under this subdivision must be an individual nominated under subsection (d). The members appointed by the governor under this subdivision serve at the pleasure of the governor.

(2) The following members from a county having a population of more than four hundred thousand (400,000) but less than seven hundred thousand (700,000):

(A) One (1) member appointed by the mayor of the largest city in the county in which a riverboat is located.

(B) One (1) member appointed by the mayor of the second largest city in the county in which a riverboat is located.

(C) One (1) member appointed by the mayor of the third largest city in the county in which a riverboat is located.

(D) One (1) member appointed jointly by the county executive and the county fiscal body. A member appointed under this



clause may not reside in a city described in clause (A), (B), or (C).

(3) One (1) member appointed jointly by the county executive and county fiscal body of a county having a population of more than one hundred fifty thousand (150,000) but less than one hundred seventy thousand (170,000).

(4) The following three (3) members appointed under subsection (j):

(A) One (1) member appointed from Lake County.

(B) One (1) member appointed from Porter County.

(C) One (1) member appointed from LaPorte County.

The members appointed under this subdivision may only vote on matters that pertain strictly to a transit development district established under IC 36-7.5-4.5-17.

(c) A member appointed to the development board must have knowledge and at least five (5) years professional work experience in at least one (1) of the following:

(1) Rail transportation or air transportation.

(2) Regional economic development.

(3) Business or finance.

(d) The mayor of the largest city in a county having a population of more than one hundred fifty thousand (150,000) but less than one hundred seventy thousand (170,000) shall nominate three (3) residents of the county for appointment to the development board. One (1) of the governor's initial appointments under subsection (b)(1) must be an individual nominated by the mayor. At the expiration of the member's term, the mayor of the second largest city in the county shall nominate three (3) residents of the county for appointment to the development board. One (1) of the governor's appointments under subsection (b)(1) must be an individual nominated by the mayor. Thereafter, the authority to nominate the three (3) individuals from among whom the governor shall make an appointment under subsection (b)(1) shall alternate between the mayors of the largest and the second largest city in the county at the expiration of a member's term.

(e) A county having a population of more than one hundred eleven thousand (111,000) but less than one hundred fifteen thousand (115,000) shall be an eligible county participating in the development authority if the fiscal body of the county adopts an ordinance providing that the county is joining the development authority and the fiscal body of a city that is located in the county and that has a population of more than thirty-one thousand (31,000) but less than thirty-one thousand five hundred (31,500) adopts an ordinance providing that the city is joining



the development authority. Notwithstanding subsection (b), if ordinances are adopted under this subsection and the county becomes an eligible county participating in the development authority:

(1) the development board shall be composed of ~~nine (9)~~ **twelve (12)** members rather than ~~seven (7)~~ **ten (10)** members; and

(2) the additional two (2) members shall be appointed in the following manner:

(A) One (1) additional member shall be appointed by the governor and shall serve at the pleasure of the governor. The member appointed under this clause must be an individual nominated under subsection (f).

(B) One (1) additional member shall be appointed jointly by the county executive and county fiscal body.

(f) This subsection applies only if the county described in subsection (e) is an eligible county participating in the development authority. The mayor of the largest city in the county described in subsection (e) shall nominate three (3) residents of the county for appointment to the development board. The governor's initial appointment under subsection (e)(2)(A) must be an individual nominated by the mayor. At the expiration of the member's term, the mayor of the second largest city in the county described in subsection (e) shall nominate three (3) residents of the county for appointment to the development board. The governor's second appointment under subsection (e)(2)(A) must be an individual nominated by the mayor. Thereafter, the authority to nominate the three (3) individuals from among whom the governor shall make an appointment under subsection (e)(2)(A) shall alternate between the mayors of the largest and the second largest city in the county at the expiration of a member's term.

(g) An individual or entity required to make an appointment under subsection (b) or nominations under subsection (d) must make the initial appointment before September 1, 2005, or the initial nomination before August 15, 2005. If an individual or entity does not make an initial appointment under subsection (b) before September 1, 2005, or the initial nominations required under subsection (d) before September 1, 2005, the governor shall instead make the initial appointment.

(h) Subsection (i) applies only to municipalities located in a county that:

(1) has a population of more than one hundred fifty thousand (150,000) but less than one hundred seventy thousand (170,000); and

(2) was a member of the development authority on January 1, 2009, and subsequently ceases to be a member of the



development authority.

(i) If the fiscal bodies of at least two (2) municipalities subject to this subsection adopt ordinances to become members of the development authority, those municipalities shall become members of the development authority. If two (2) or more municipalities become members of the development authority under this subsection, the fiscal bodies of the municipalities that become members of the development authority shall jointly appoint one (1) member of the development board who shall serve in place of the member described in subsection (b)(3). A municipality that becomes a member of the development authority under this subsection is considered an eligible municipality for purposes of this article.

(j) The governor shall appoint three (3) members to the development board as follows:

(1) The initial appointment of one (1) member shall be selected out of a list of three (3) nominations from the county executive of Lake County. The nominations shall be transmitted to the governor before July 1, 2020. If the county executive of Lake County does not make the initial nominations by July 1, 2020, the governor shall instead make the initial appointment. After the expiration of the term of a member appointed under this subdivision, or if a vacancy occurs before the end of the term of a member appointed under this subdivision, the county executive of Lake County shall transmit a list of three (3) nominations to the governor not later than ninety (90) days after the expiration or the vacancy occurs. The governor shall appoint one (1) member out of the list of three (3) nominations, or, if the county executive of Lake County does not make the nominations within ninety (90) days after the expiration or the vacancy occurs, the governor shall instead make the appointment. A member appointed under this subdivision must be a resident of Lake County.

(2) The initial appointment of one (1) member shall be selected out of a list of three (3) nominations from the county executive of Porter County. The nominations shall be transmitted to the governor before July 1, 2020. If the county executive of Porter County does not make the initial nominations by July 1, 2020, the governor shall instead make the initial appointment. After the expiration of the term of a member appointed under this subdivision, or if a vacancy occurs before the end of the term of a member appointed



under this subdivision, the county executive of Porter County shall transmit a list of three (3) nominations to the governor not later than ninety (90) days after the expiration or the vacancy occurs. The governor shall appoint one (1) member out of the list of three (3) nominations, or, if the county executive of Porter County does not make the nominations within ninety (90) days after the expiration or the vacancy occurs, the governor shall instead make the appointment. A member appointed under this subdivision must be a resident of Porter County.

(3) The initial appointment of one (1) member shall be selected out of a list of three (3) nominations from the county executive of LaPorte County. The nominations shall be transmitted to the governor before July 1, 2020. If the county executive of LaPorte County does not make the initial nominations by July 1, 2020, the governor shall instead make the initial appointment. After the expiration of the term of a member appointed under this subdivision, or if a vacancy occurs before the end of the term of a member appointed under this subdivision, the county executive of LaPorte County shall transmit a list of three (3) nominations to the governor not later than ninety (90) days after the expiration or the vacancy occurs. The governor shall appoint one (1) member out of the list of three (3) nominations, or, if the county executive of LaPorte County does not make the nominations within ninety (90) days after the expiration or the vacancy occurs, the governor shall instead make the appointment. A member appointed under this subdivision must be a resident of LaPorte County.

SECTION 2. IC 36-7.5-2-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.47-2006, SECTION 56, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 4. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) for the initial appointments to the development board, a member appointed to the development board serves a four (4) year term. However, a member serves at the pleasure of the appointing authority. A member may be reappointed to subsequent terms.

(b) The terms of the initial members appointed to the development board are as follows:

- (1) The initial member appointed by the governor who is not nominated under section 3(d) or 3(f) of this chapter shall serve a term of four (4) years.
- (2) The initial member appointed by the governor who is



nominated under section 3(d) of this chapter shall serve a term of two (2) years. If a member is appointed under section 3(e)(2)(A) of this chapter, the initial member who is appointed under that provision shall serve a term of two (2) years.

(3) The initial member appointed under section 3(b)(2)(D) of this chapter shall serve a term of three (3) years.

(4) The initial member appointed under section 3(b)(3) of this chapter shall serve a term of three (3) years.

(5) The initial members appointed under section 3(b)(2)(A) through 3(b)(2)(C) of this chapter shall serve a term of two (2) years.

(6) If a member is appointed under section 3(e)(2)(B) of this chapter, the initial member appointed under that provision shall serve a term of three (3) years.

(c) **Subject to section 3(j) of this chapter**, if a vacancy occurs on the development board, the appointing authority that made the original appointment shall fill the vacancy by appointing a new member for the remainder of the vacated term.

(d) Each member appointed to the development board, before entering upon the duties of office, must take and subscribe an oath of office under IC 5-4-1, which shall be endorsed upon the certificate of appointment and filed with the records of the development board.

(e) A member appointed to the development board is not entitled to receive any compensation for performance of the member's duties. However, a member is entitled to a per diem from the development authority for the member's participation in development board meetings. The amount of the per diem is equal to the amount of the per diem provided under IC 4-10-11-2.1(b).

SECTION 3. IC 36-7.5-2-6, AS AMENDED BY P.L.192-2015, SECTION 10, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. **(a) The development authority is a public agency for purposes of IC 5-14-1.5 and IC 5-14-3. The development board is a governing body for purposes of IC 5-14-1.5.**

~~(a)~~ **(b)** The development board shall meet at least quarterly.

~~(b)~~ **(c)** The chair of the development board or any two (2) members of the development board may call a special meeting of the development board.

~~(c)~~ **(d)** Five (5) members of the development board constitute a quorum. However, if the county described in section 3(e) of this chapter is an eligible county participating in the development authority, six (6) members of the development board constitute a quorum.

~~(d)~~ **(e) Except as provided in subsection (h)**, the affirmative votes



of at least five (5) members of the development board are necessary to authorize any action of the development authority. However, if the county described in section 3(e) of this chapter is an eligible county participating in the development authority, the affirmative votes of at least six (6) members of the development board are necessary to authorize any action of the development authority.

~~(e)~~ **(f)** Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, the minimum number of affirmative votes required under subsection ~~(d)~~ **(e)** to take any of the following actions must include the affirmative vote of the member appointed by the governor who is not nominated under section 3(d) or 3(f) of this chapter:

- (1) Making loans, loan guarantees, or grants or providing any other funding or financial assistance for projects.
- (2) Acquiring or condemning property.
- (3) Entering into contracts.
- (4) Employing an executive director or any consultants or technical experts.
- (5) Issuing bonds or entering into a lease of a project.

~~(f)~~ **(g)** A member of the board may not:

- (1) designate another individual to attend a board meeting on behalf of the member in the member's absence; or
- (2) allow another member of the board to cast a proxy vote on behalf of the member in the member's temporary absence from a meeting.

(h) This subsection only applies to a vote on matters that pertain strictly to a transit development district established under IC 36-7.5-4.5-17 on which the members of the development board appointed under section 3(b)(4) may cast a vote. The affirmative votes of at least six (6) members of the development board are necessary to authorize any action of the development authority.

SECTION 4. IC 36-7.6-2-11, AS ADDED BY P.L.232-2007, SECTION 7, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2020]: Sec. 11. **(a) A development authority is a public agency for purposes of IC 5-14-1.5 and IC 5-14-3. A development board is a governing body for purposes of IC 5-14-1.5.**

~~(a)~~ **(b)** A development board shall meet at least quarterly.

~~(b)~~ **(c)** The chair of a development board or any two (2) members of a development board may call a special meeting of the development board.

~~(c)~~ **(d)** A majority of the appointed members of a development board constitutes a quorum.

~~(d)~~ **(e)** The affirmative votes of at least a majority of the appointed



members of a development board are necessary to authorize any action of the development authority.

SECTION 5. An emergency is declared for this act.



President of the Senate

President Pro Tempore

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Governor of the State of Indiana

Date: _____ Time: _____

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