

Regular Session, 2010
HOUSE BILL NO. 389
BY REPRESENTATIVE LEGER

ACT No. 694

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 33:4071(A) and to repeal R.S. 33:4072, relative to Orleans
3 Parish; to provide relative to the sewerage and water board of New Orleans; to
4 change the membership of the board; to provide relative to the terms and removal of
5 board members; and to provide for related matters.

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

9 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

10 Section 1. R.S. 33:4071(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

11 §4071. Creation and organization of sewerage and water board

12 A.(1) The public water system, the public sewerage system, and the public
13 drainage system of the city of New Orleans shall be constructed, controlled,
14 maintained, and operated by a sewerage and water board to be composed as follows:

15 (a) The mayor;

16 (b) ~~The two at-large members of the council;~~ Three members of the New
17 Orleans city council selected by the council. At least one of such members shall be
18 an at-large member of the council.

19 ~~(c) One of the district councilmen selected by the council;~~

20 ~~(d) (c)~~ (c) Two members of the board of liquidation, city debt, to be appointed
21 by the mayor on the recommendation of the board of liquidation, city debt; ~~and.~~

22 ~~(e) (d)~~ (d) Seven citizens, to be appointed by the mayor, with the advice and
23 consent of the city council, as follows:

24 (i) Two from the city at large ~~and.~~

25 (ii) One from each of the five councilmanic districts of the city.

1 (2) The terms of office of board members shall be nine years. ~~However, the~~
 2 ~~citizens who are members of the board on July 31, 1984, shall retain their~~
 3 ~~membership until the expiration of their terms unless sooner vacated by resignation~~
 4 ~~or otherwise.~~

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6 Section 2. R.S. 33:4072 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

7 Section 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, all members
 8 of the New Orleans city council who are selected to serve on the board on and after the
 9 effective date of this Act shall serve during their terms of office. On the effective date of
 10 this Act, the term of the at-large member of the council serving on the board who was
 11 initially elected to the council on May 20, 2006, shall terminate; however, he shall be
 12 eligible to be reselected by the council to serve as a member of the board during his term of
 13 office.

14 Section 4. This Act shall take effect and become operative on the first day of January
 15 following an election where a majority of the voters of the city of New Orleans approve an
 16 amendment of Article V, Chapter 3, Section 5-301 of the home rule charter of the city to
 17 change the composition of the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans to provide the
 18 identical composition of the board as contained in this Act.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____