

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 569

BY REPRESENTATIVE HILFERTY

SEWERAGE/N O WATER BD: Provides relative to the sewerage and water board of New Orleans

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact the Section heading of R.S. 33:4071, to enact R.S. 33:4070, and to
3 repeal R.S. 33:4071(A) through (E), relative to Orleans Parish; to provide relative
4 to the sewerage and water board of New Orleans; to provide relative to the
5 membership of the board; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related
6 matters.

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

10 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

11 Section 1. The Section heading of R.S. 33:4071 is hereby amended and reenacted
12 and R.S. 33:4070 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

13 §4070. Creation of sewerage and water board

14 A. The public water system, the public sewerage system, and the public
15 drainage system of the city of New Orleans shall be constructed, controlled,
16 maintained, and operated by a sewerage and water board. The board shall be
17 comprised of the seven members of the governing authority of New Orleans.

18 B. A quorum of the board shall adopt rules fixing its own meetings and
19 procedures. Any amendments or changes to such rules shall be adopted only after
20 approved by a quorum of the board.

requires that vacancies occurring in mayoral appointments be filled in the manner of the original appointment.

Present law provides that no person who is a stockholder or bondholder in any sewerage or waterworks company or who holds any public office yielding emoluments to the holder other than those specified in present law shall be eligible for appointment to the board.

Proposed law removes present law and instead provides that the board shall be comprised of the seven members of the governing authority of New Orleans.

Proposed law provides that the provisions of proposed law shall take effect and become operative on the first day of Jan. following an election where a majority of the voters of the city of New Orleans approve an amendment to the home rule charter of the city to change the composition of the board to provide the identical composition of the board as contained in proposed law. Further provides that the terms of members of the board in office on the first day of Jan. shall terminate on that date.

(Amends R.S. 33:4071; Adds R.S. 33:4070 (Section heading); Repeals R.S. 33:4071(A) through (E))