

Regular Session, 2011

HOUSE BILL NO. 96

BY REPRESENTATIVE DIXON

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

BESE: (Constitutional Amendment) Provides for a nine-member State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VIII, Section 3(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to change the number of members of the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education from eleven members to nine members; to provide relative to the appointment of one at-large member of the board; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to amend Article VIII, Section 3(B) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

§3. State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education

Section 3.

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(B)(1) Membership; Terms. The board shall consist of ~~eleven~~ nine members, eight of whom shall be elected from single-member districts, which shall be determined as provided by law, and ~~three~~ one of whom shall be appointed jointly by the governor, the speaker of the House of Representatives, and the president of the Senate from the state at large, ~~with consent of the Senate~~. Members shall serve terms of four years, which shall be concurrent with the term of the governor.



three members appointed by the governor with Senate consent, all of whom serve terms concurrent with the governor.

Proposed constitutional amendment changes the number of board members from 11 to nine members by reducing the number of appointed members from three to one. Provides that the one at-large member shall be appointed jointly by the governor, the speaker of the House, and the president of the Senate. Retains present constitution terms for members.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held Oct. 22, 2011.

Effective at noon on Jan. 9, 2012.

(Amends Const. Art. VIII, §3(B))