

2018 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 539

BY SENATOR LAMBERT

FLOODS/FLOODING. Requires the Amite River Basin Drainage and Water Conservation District to hold its meetings in certain locations. (8/1/18)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 38:3304(A) and to enact R.S. 38:3304(C), relative to the Amite  
3 River Basin Drainage and Water Conservation District; to provide for meetings of  
4 the board; to require compliance with the Open Meetings Law; to provide for the  
5 location of the meetings; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 38:3304(A) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 38:3304(C)  
8 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §3304. Meetings of board; quorum; officers; removal of commissioners; salaries and  
10 expenses; **requirements; frequency and location**

11 A. A majority of the commissioners shall constitute a quorum to do business.  
12 They shall organize and elect a president and a vice president from their members  
13 and such other officers as the board deems necessary. They shall appoint a secretary  
14 and an attorney. ~~They shall designate the time and select the place for holding their~~  
15 ~~regular sessions which may be convened at any time upon call of the president or~~  
16 ~~upon call of two of the commissioners.~~ The salary of the secretary shall be fixed by  
17 the board.

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**C.(1) The board shall adhere to the Open Meetings Law, R.S. 42:11 et seq. The board shall operate under Robert's Rules of Order.**

**(2) The board shall designate the time and select the place for holding their regular sessions which may be convened at any time upon call of the president or upon call of two of the commissioners, but the board shall meet at least quarterly. All meetings of the board shall be held at a meeting space located in a public building and open to the public for the purposes of the meetings. The location of the meetings shall be rotated among public buildings in Ascension, East Baton Rouge, and Livingston parishes.**

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Alan Miller.

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DIGEST

SB 539 Engrossed

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Proposed law requires the board to operate under Robert's Rules of Order.

Proposed law requires the board to designate the time and select the place for holding their regular sessions which may be convened at any time upon call of the president or upon call of two of the commissioners, but requires that the board meet at least quarterly.

Proposed law requires that the location of the meetings be rotated among public buildings in Ascension, East Baton Rouge, and Livingston parishes.

Effective August 1, 2018.

(Amends R.S. 38:3304(A); adds R.S. 38:3304(C))