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SENATE BILL NO. 92

BY SENATOR MILLS

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LOCAL AGENCIES. Provides relative to the board of commissioners of the Iberia Parish Hospital Service District No. 1. (8/1/19)

AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 46:1053(B)(4), relative to Iberia Parish Hospital Service District 3 No. 1; to provide for board membership; to provide for term limits; to provide for transition; and to provide for related matters. 4 5 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published. 6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 7 Section 1. R.S. 46:1053(B)(4) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows: 8 §1053. Commission; qualification of members; appointment; vacancies; 9 compensation; removal of commissioners; certain powers 10 11 B. (4)(a) In the parish of Iberia, the Iberia Parish Hospital Service District No. 12 13 1 shall be governed by a commission composed of nine members who shall be registered voters, residents, and domiciled in the district. Seven members of the 14 commission shall be appointed by the governing authority of Iberia Parish to 15 **serve four-year terms**. The two additional members provided for by this Paragraph 16 17 shall be appointed by the governing authority of Iberia Parish from applications

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submitted by the medical staff of the Iberia General Hospital and Medical Center only medical executive committee of Iberia Medical Center to serve four-year terms. The two additional members shall each serve an initial term of four years and their successors shall be appointed for four-year terms. Upon the expiration of the terms of the current board of commissioners in office on August 15, 1995, or in the case of a vacancy on the board of commissioners on or after August 15, 1995, each successor shall be appointed for a four-year term. The medical executive committee shall make any such appointments prior to the expiration of the expiring term or within thirty days after receipt of written notice from the governing authority of Iberia Parish that any such term is about to expire, whichever occurs later. The medical staff members eligible for service on the Board of Commissioners of Iberia Parish Hospital Service District No. 1 shall be physicians who are fully credentialed and in good standing with the medical executive committee. The medical executive committee shall use all reasonable means to involve as many of the physician medical staff members as possible in the process of selecting and making such appointments.

(b)(i) The terms of the members of the board of commissioners in office on July 1, 2001, shall expire as provided by law. Notwithstanding the provisions of Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph or any other provision of this Section, the successor of each such member shall be appointed for a term established by the Iberia Parish Council. However, no such term shall exceed four years and the terms of not more than three such successors shall expire in any one year.

(ii) Upon the expiration of the terms established by the Iberia Parish Council for the successors appointed as provided in Item (i) of this Subparagraph, each member of the board of commissioners shall serve a four-year term no member of the board of commissioners shall serve more than three consecutive terms.

However, service as a result of appointment or election to fill an unexpired term shall not be considered for such purposes.

(iii) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subparagraph (a) of this

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raragraph or any other provision of this Section, nothing shall be construed to
affect the currently serving members of the board of commissioners of Iberia
Parish Hospital Service District No. 1. However, upon expiration of the term
of office of the commission member whose term expires on or about November
23, 2019, or the resignation of such member, whichever occurs first, the
successor shall be appointed by the medical executive committee of Iberia
Medical Center. Upon expiration of the term of office of the physician
commission member whose term expires on or about December 27, 2021, or the
resignation of such member, the successor shall also be appointed by the
medical executive committee of Iberia Medical Center. These two members
shall be designated and recognized as the two commission seats to be filled by
appointment of the physician medical staff of Iberia Medical Center.
(c) A vacancy that occurs prior to the expiration of a term shall be filled for
the remainder of the unexpired term in the same manner as the predecessor

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appointee was selected.

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

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<u>Present law</u> provides that any hospital service district formed or created under the provisions of <u>present law</u> shall be governed by a board of five commissioners who shall be qualified voters and residents of the district. Provides that the commissioners shall be appointed by the police jury of the parish.

<u>Present law</u> provides an exception for Iberia Parish Hospital Service District No. 1. Provides that it shall be governed by a commission of nine members. Provides that two of the additional members shall be appointed by the governing authority of Iberia Parish from applications submitted by the medical staff of the Iberia General Hospital and Medical Center.

<u>Proposed law</u>, regarding Iberia Parish Hospital Service District No. 1, retains <u>present law</u> nine member board and clarifies that seven members of the board of commissioners shall be appointed by the Iberia Parish governing authority.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes <u>present law</u> from two members appointed by the governing authority from applications submitted by the medical staff <u>to</u> two members appointed by the medical executive committee of Iberia Medical Center. Requires that the members appointed by the committee be physicians who are fully credentialed and in good standing with the medical

executive committee.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides further that no member of the board shall serve more than three consecutive terms; however, any service as part of another member's unexpired term shall not be counted.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for transition for current board members. Also provides that a vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the predecessor's appointment.

Effective August 1, 2019.

(Amends R.S. 46:1053(B)(4))