Regular Session, 2010

HOUSE BILL NO. 438

BY REPRESENTATIVE PEARSON

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 46:1095(B)(1) and (C) and to enact R.S. 33:2956, relative to
3	hospital service districts; to authorize and provide relative to investments of
4	foundations and similar entities created by the governing bodies of hospital service
5	districts; to provide relative to the appointment and term of service of certain
6	members of certain hospital service district boards of commissioners; and to provide
7	for related matters.
8	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
9	Section 1. R.S. 33:2956 is hereby enacted to read as follows:
10	§2956. Investments by foundations and similar entities created by hospital service
11	districts
12	A. For purposes of this Section, unless the context clearly indicates
13	otherwise, the following terms shall have the following meanings:
14	(1) "Foundation" means a nonprofit or not-for-profit corporation or other
15	entity created by the board of commissioners or comparable governing body of a
16	hospital service district for the purpose of financial support of the facilities and
17	programs of the hospital service district.
18	(2) "Funds of the foundation" means money or other things of value donated
19	to the foundation to support the facilities, programs, and activities of the hospital
20	service district the foundation was created to support but shall not include any funds
21	donated or provided to the foundation by the district or by any facility or program
22	of the district.
23	(3) "Hospital service district" means a district created by local, special, or
24	general law or created by a parish or municipality pursuant to general law for the

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purpose of owning and operating health care facilities, including but not limited to
hospitals, for the care of persons suffering from illness or disability, administering
other activities related to health care provision or promotion, and otherwise
promoting or providing health care services to the public.
B. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any foundation may

invest funds of the foundation as provided by law for investment of funds of the Louisiana State Employees Retirement System, including but not limited to R.S. 11:263 and 267; however, any such investment may be made only in compliance with rules and regulations established by the board of directors or other governing board of the foundation, in compliance with rules and regulations established by the board of commissioners of the hospital service district, and in compliance with the provisions of R.S. 11:263 and 267 and any other law which provides for investments in which funds of the Louisiana State Employees Retirement System may be invested.

Section 2. R.S. 46:1095(B)(1) and (C) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1095. Board of commissioners; membership; appointment; terms; compensation; removal

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- B. Each commission shall be composed as follows:
- (1) Seven members shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the parish subject to the approval of the parish governing authority. Each commissioner shall demonstrate expertise in one or more of the following areas: medical litigation, fundraising and philanthropy, accounting, business development, indigent care, community relations, government relations, women's health, minority health, geriatric medicine, nursing, any other medical field, or consumer advocacy.

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C.(1) The members serving pursuant to Paragraph (B)(1) Paragraphs (B)(1) and (2) of this Section shall serve six-year terms after initial terms as provided in this Paragraph. One member shall serve an initial term of two years, two shall serve

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____