

REGIONAL CONVENTION FACILITY AUTHORITY ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 554 of 2008

141.1359 Board of directors; membership; qualifications; "local government" defined; terms; vacancy; filing of appointment; oath; compensation; individuals prohibited from appointment.

Sec. 9.

(1) An authority created under this act shall be directed and governed by a board of directors consisting of 5 members. The members of an authority board shall include all of the following:

- (a) One individual appointed by the governor of this state with the advice and consent of the senate.
- (b) One individual appointed by the local chief executive officer of the qualified city.
- (c) One individual appointed by the local chief executive officer of the qualified county.
- (d) One individual appointed by the local chief executive officer of the county bordering the qualified county with the highest population according to the most recent decennial census bordering the qualified county.
- (e) One individual appointed by the local chief executive officer of the county bordering the qualified county with the second highest population according to the most recent decennial census.

(2) Board members appointed under this section shall possess business, financial, or professional experience relevant to the operation of a corporation or a convention facility. No board member shall be an employee or officer of any local government or of this state. For purposes of this subsection, "local government" includes any county, township, city, village, or intergovernmental entity in this state.

(3) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, board members shall be appointed for a term of 6 years. Initial appointments under subsection (1) shall be made within 30 days of the creation of the authority. Of the board members initially appointed under subsection (1), the members appointed under subsection (1)(a) and (c) shall be appointed for a term expiring on the second August 31 following the creation of the authority, the members appointed under subsection (1)(b) and (d) shall be appointed for a term expiring on the third August 31 following the creation of the authority, the member appointed under subsection (1)(e) shall be appointed for a term expiring on the fourth August 31 following the creation of the authority. If a vacancy occurs on the board other than by expiration of a term, the vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment for the remainder of the term. Board members may continue to serve until a successor is appointed and qualified.

(4) Each officer appointing a board member under this section shall file the appointment with the secretary of state and the county clerk of each county in the qualified metropolitan area. Notwithstanding any law or local charter provision to the contrary, appointments by an officer are not subject to approval or rejection by a legislative body.

(5) Upon appointment to a board under this section, and upon taking and filing of the oath of office required by section 1 of article XI of the state constitution of 1963, a board member shall enter office and exercise the duties of the office of board member.

(6) Board members shall serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses incurred while attending board meetings or performing other authorized official business of the authority.

(7) An individual who is not of good moral character or who has been indicted or charged with, convicted of, pled guilty or no contest to, or forfeited bail concerning a felony under the laws of this state, any other state, or the United States shall not be appointed or remain as a member of the board.

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