

House File 2242

H-8028

1 Amend House File 2242 as follows:

2 1. Page 1, before line 1 by inserting:

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<DIVISION I

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ELECTION OF STATE BOARD OF REGENTS

5 Section 1. Section 262.1, Code 2026, is amended to read as  
6 follows:

7 **262.1 Membership.**

8 The state board of regents consists of nine members, eight  
9 of whom shall be ~~selected from the state at large solely with~~  
10 ~~regard to their qualifications and fitness to discharge the~~  
11 ~~duties of the office~~ elected pursuant to section 262.3. The  
12 ninth member shall be appointed by the elected members of the  
13 board and shall be a student enrolled on a full-time basis in  
14 good standing at either the graduate or undergraduate level at  
15 one of the institutions listed in section 262.7, subsection 1,  
16 2, or 3, at the time of the member's appointment. ~~Not more than~~  
17 ~~five members shall be of the same political party.~~ The elected  
18 members of the state board of regents may, by a majority vote  
19 of those members, remove or suspend the ninth member.

20 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 262.2, Code 2026, is amended to read as  
21 follows:

22 **262.2 Appointment — term of office.**

23 ~~The members shall be appointed by the governor subject to~~  
24 ~~confirmation by the senate. Prior to appointing the ninth~~  
25 ~~member as specified in section 262.1, the governor shall~~  
26 ~~consult with the appropriate student body government at the~~  
27 ~~institution at which the proposed appointee is enrolled. The~~  
28 term of each member of the board shall be for six years,  
29 except as provided in section 262.3, unless the ninth member,  
30 appointed in accordance with section 262.1, graduates or is  
31 no longer enrolled at an institution of higher education  
32 under the board's control, at which time the term of the  
33 ninth member shall expire one year from the date on which the  
34 member graduates or is no longer enrolled in an institution  
35 of higher education under the board's control. However, if

1 within that year the ninth member reenrolls in any institution  
2 of higher education under the board's control on a full-time  
3 basis and is a student in good standing at either the graduate  
4 or undergraduate level, the term of the ninth member shall  
5 continue in effect. ~~The terms of three members of the board~~  
6 ~~shall begin and expire in each odd-numbered year as provided~~  
7 ~~in section 69.19.~~

8 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . NEW SECTION. 262.3 Election of certain members  
9 — vacancies.

10 1. Of the eight elective members of the board, two shall  
11 be elected by the registered voters of each of the three  
12 congressional districts in which is located an institution of  
13 higher learning governed by the board, one shall be elected  
14 from the remaining congressional district, and one shall be  
15 elected on a statewide basis. Members of the board shall be  
16 elected on a nonpartisan basis at the regular school election  
17 under section 277.1 for staggered six-year terms, with terms  
18 commencing on the first day of January that is not a Sunday or  
19 holiday following their election. Any eligible elector who is  
20 a resident of this state is entitled to elective membership  
21 on the board, except that a member elected by the voters of a  
22 congressional district must be a resident of that congressional  
23 district. A vacancy in an elected position on the board shall  
24 be filled by the chairperson of the board for the unexpired  
25 balance of the term as provided in section 69.12 until the next  
26 succeeding regular election for school districts.

27 2. a. At each regular school election, a successor shall  
28 be chosen for each board member whose term will expire in the  
29 succeeding January. Nominations of candidates shall be made  
30 by petition in accordance with chapter 45. Nominations of  
31 candidates for the statewide elected member shall be signed by  
32 at least three hundred eligible electors residing in the state.  
33 Nominations of all other candidates shall be signed by at least  
34 three hundred eligible electors residing in the congressional  
35 district. The petition form shall be furnished by the county

1 commissioner of elections. Every candidate shall file with  
2 the nomination papers an affidavit stating the candidate's  
3 name, the candidate's residence, that the person is a candidate  
4 and is eligible for board membership, and that if elected the  
5 candidate will qualify for the office. The affidavit shall  
6 also state that the candidate is aware that the candidate is  
7 disqualified from holding office if the candidate has been  
8 convicted of an infamous crime and the candidate's rights have  
9 not been restored by the governor or by the president of the  
10 United States.

11 b. The signed petitions shall be filed with the county  
12 commissioner of elections not later than 5:00 p.m. on the  
13 sixty-ninth day before the regular election held pursuant  
14 to section 277.1. The votes for board membership shall be  
15 canvassed in the same manner as the votes for state officers,  
16 and the returns shall be certified to the state commissioner of  
17 elections. A plurality is sufficient to elect members, and a  
18 primary election for the office shall not be held.

19 3. As used in this section, "*congressional district*"  
20 means those districts established following the 2020 federal  
21 decennial census.

22 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. REPEAL. Sections 262.4, 262.5, and 262.6, Code  
23 2026, are repealed.

24 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. TRANSITION PROVISIONS.

25 1. Membership terms of all regents board members on the  
26 effective date of this division of this Act shall expire on  
27 December 31, 2027.

28 2. a. At the regular election for school districts to be  
29 held in 2027, and at the regular election for school districts  
30 immediately preceding the expiration of the member's term, one  
31 member each shall be elected as follows:

32 (1) Statewide, for a full term.

33 (2) By the registered voters of the third congressional  
34 district, for a full term.

35 (3) By the registered voters of the first congressional

1 district, for an initial four-year term.

2 (4) By the registered voters of the second congressional  
3 district, for an initial four-year term.

4 (5) By the registered voters of the fourth congressional  
5 district, for an initial four-year term.

6 (6) By the registered voters of the first congressional  
7 district, for an initial two-year term.

8 (7) By the registered voters of the second congressional  
9 district, for an initial two-year term.

10 (8) By the registered voters of the fourth congressional  
11 district, for an initial two-year term.

12 DIVISION \_\_\_\_\_

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14 2. Page 1, line 8, after <This> by inserting <division of  
15 this>

16 3. Title page, by striking lines 1 through 3 and inserting  
17 <An Act concerning matters relating to the state board of  
18 regents and regents institutions and including transition and  
19 effective>

20 4. By renumbering as necessary.

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