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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 533

BY HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

AN ACT

2 RELATING TO HOSPITAL DISTRICTS; AMENDING SECTION 39-1326, IDAHO CODE, TO

3 PROVIDE THAT THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF A HOSPITAL DISTRICT MAY APPOINT

4 CERTAIN BOARD MEMBERS AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION; AND AMENDING

5 SECTION 39-1329, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING A BOARD

6 QUORUM AND VACANCIES.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 39-1326, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-1326. BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF DISTRICT -- QUALIFICATIONS OF MEM-BERS. The board of trustees of such hospital district shall consist of seven (7) residents of the district who shall be elected or appointed as herein provided. Immediately following the establishment of a hospital district, the commissioners in the county in which the same is established shall appoint the seven (7) members of the first board, three (3) members to act until the first biennial election, two (2) until the second biennial election, and two (2) until the third biennial election, all of whom shall serve until the election and qualification of their successors. Upon a unanimous vote, the board of trustees may also appoint not more than two (2) additional members to serve as trustees for the purpose of obtaining necessary and specialized skills as determined by the board of trustees to assist board deliberations and decision-making. Members who are appointed by the board shall serve for a term not to exceed six (6) years. Such appointed board members shall serve at the pleasure of the board and may be removed with or without cause by a majority vote of the elected members of the board. Appointed board members shall have the same duties, oaths and obligations as elected board members; provided however, that an appointed board member shall not be entitled to vote on any decision to levy a tax pursuant to this chapter.

No person shall be qualified to serve as a trustee of a district organized under the provisions of this act chapter unless he or she shall be a resident of the hospital district and a qualified elector of the state of Idaho.

SECTION 2. That Section 39-1329, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

39-1329. MEETINGS -- QUORUM -- VACANCIES. The board shall meet regularly once each month at a time and place to be designated by the board. Special meetings may be held as often as the needs of the district require on notice to each member of the board. Four (4) A majority of the members of the board shall constitute a quorum at any meeting. Any vacancy of an elected member on the board shall be filled by the remaining members or member of

the board, the appointee to act until the next biennial election, when the vacancy shall be filled by election. If the board shall fail, neglect or refuse to fill any vacancy within thirty (30) days after the same occurs, the board of county commissioners of the county in which said district is situated shall fill such vacancy. In the case of a vacancy on the board of an appointed member, a majority of the board shall determine whether to fill the vacant position.