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1 SB177
2 W8SP555-1
3 By Senator Gudger
4 RFD: Fiscal Responsibility and Economic Development
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SYNOPSIS:

Under existing law, two or more municipalities are authorized to incorporate gas districts for the transmission and distribution of natural gas. The gas districts are governed by a board of directors. The board of directors is composed of not less than three members and the members elect a chair. The members, at the discretion of the board, are authorized to be paid a director's fee of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per meeting attended, not to exceed one meeting per month, and the chair is authorized to be paid a director's fee not to exceed one thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$1,250) per meeting.

This bill would increase the fee authorized to be paid to a director to one thousand seven hundred fifty dollars (\$1,750) per meeting and the fee authorized to be paid to the chair to two thousand dollars (\$2,000) per meeting.

A BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to municipal gas districts incorporated by two



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or more municipalities; to amend Section 11-50-393 of the Code of Alabama 1975, to increase the amount of the director's fees authorized to be paid, at the discretion of the board, to the members of the board of directors and the chair for each meeting of the board.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 11-50-393 of the Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:

"§11-50-393

Each district incorporated under this article shall have a board of directors of not less than three members, and the members shall elect a ~~chairman~~ chair of the board. Unless otherwise provided in the certificate of incorporation, the board of directors shall consist of at least one member for each municipality which is a member of the district. Unless otherwise provided in the certificate of incorporation, the member of the board of directors representing each member municipality shall be elected by the governing body of each municipality and shall serve for a term of office concurrent with the term of office of the mayor of the municipality. A representative of each municipality may be, but need not be ~~the~~ the mayor thereof. The members of the board of directors shall serve without compensation, except that they shall be reimbursed for actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties under this article, and, at the discretion of the board of directors, they may be paid a director's fee not exceeding ~~one thousand dollars (\$1,000)~~ one thousand seven hundred fifty dollars (\$1,750) for each director's meeting



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attended, but not to exceed one meeting each calendar month. The ~~chairman~~ chair of the board of directors shall serve without compensation, except that he or she shall be reimbursed for actual expenses incurred in the performance of his or her duties under this article, and, at the discretion of the board of directors, he or she may be paid a director's fee not exceeding ~~one thousand two hundred fifty dollars~~ ~~(\$1,250)~~ two thousand dollars (\$2,000) for each director's meeting attended, but not to exceed one meeting each calendar month. Members of the board of directors shall hold office until their successors are appointed and qualify. Appointments to fill a vacancy shall be for the unexpired term. The appointing authority may remove any member of the board of directors within the term for which he or she is appointed after giving the member a copy of the charges against him or her and an opportunity to be heard in his or her defense. The removal action of the appointing authority shall be final and nonreviewable."

Section 2. This act shall become effective on October 1, 2024.