CIVIL SERVICE. Constitutional amendment to require Senate confirmation for gubernatorially appointed members of the State Civil Service Commission. (2/3 - CA13s1(A))

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article X, Section 3(B)(1) and (C) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to Senate confirmation of gubernatorially appointed members of the State Civil Service Commission; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to amend Article X, Section 3(B)(1) and (C) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

§3. State Civil Service Commission

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(B)(1) Appointment. The members shall be appointed by the governor, with

consent of the Senate, as hereinafter provided, for overlapping terms of six years.

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(C) Nominations. The presidents of Centenary College at Shreveport, Dillard University at New Orleans, Louisiana College at Pineville, Loyola University at New Orleans, Tulane University of Louisiana at New Orleans, and Xavier University at
New Orleans, after giving consideration to representation of all groups, each shall
nominate three persons. The governor shall appoint one member of the commission
from the three persons nominated by each president. One member of the commission
shall be elected by the classified employees of the state from their number as
provided by law. A vacancy for any cause shall be filled by appointment or election
in accordance with the procedure or law governing the original appointment or
election, and from the same source. Within thirty days after a vacancy occurs, the
president concerned shall submit the required nominations. Within thirty days
thereafter, the governor shall make his appointment, with consent of the Senate. If
the governor fails to appoint within thirty days, the nominee whose name is first on
the list of nominees automatically shall become a member of the commission, with
consent of the Senate. If any nominating authority fails to submit nominees in the
time required, or if one of the named institutions ceases to exist, the governor shall
make the appointment to the commission, with consent of the Senate.

Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted
to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on November 8,
2022.

Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at said election
there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted
to vote YES or NO, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as
follows:

Do you support an amendment to require prospective members of the State
Civil Service Commission appointed by the governor to be confirmed by the
Senate?

(Amends Article X, Section 3(B)(1) and (C))
The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Matt DeVille.

DIGEST

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Present constitution provides for gubernatorial appointment of certain members to the State Civil Service Commission.

Proposed constitution retains present constitution and requires members appointed by the governor to be confirmed by the Senate.

Specifies submission of the amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held on November 8, 2022.

(Amends Article X, Section (3)(B)(1) and (C))