DIGEST

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HB 739 Reengrossed 2022 Regular Session Lyons

Abstract: Provides for the placement of a bust or other appropriate memorial to Oscar James Dunn within Memorial Hall in the state capitol.

Proposed law provides for the placement in Memorial Hall of the La. State Capitol of a bust or other appropriate memorial to Oscar James Dunn.

Proposed law establishes the Oscar Dunn Memorial Fund as a special fund in the state treasury to be administered by the presiding officers of the legislature. Requires the treasurer to transfer $75,000 from the state general fund into the Oscar Dunn Memorial Fund.

Proposed law requires the chairman of the Legislative Black Caucus, the speaker of the House of Representatives, and the president of the Senate, in consultation with the members of the family of Oscar James Dunn, to determine the design and related content of the memorial provided for in proposed law. Requires the speaker of the House of Representatives and the president of the Senate to determine placement of the memorial within Memorial Hall.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 49:149.65)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Appropriations to the engrossed bill:

1. Remove requirement that a statute of Oscar James Dunn be placed in Memorial Hall. Instead require a bust or other appropriate memorial of Oscar James Dunn be placed in Memorial hall.

2. Remove provision providing that the Lt. Gov. administers monies in the Oscar Dunn Memorial Fund. Instead provides that the presiding officers of the legislature administer monies in the fund.

3. Remove provisions establishing the Oscar James Dunn Memorial Commission and setting forth its powers, duties, and functions.
4. Require the chairman of the Legislative Black Caucus, the speaker of the House of Representatives, and the president of the Senate, in consultation with the members of the family of Oscar James Dunn, to determine the design and related content of the memorial provided for in proposed law. Further require the speaker of the House of Representatives and the president of the Senate to determine placement of the memorial within Memorial Hall.

5. Require the state treasurer to transfer $75,000 from the state general fund into the Oscar Dunn Memorial Fund.

6. Change effective date to signature of governor.