

GREEN SHEET REDIGEST

HB 401

2017 Regular Session

Gisclair

(KEYWORD, SUMMARY, AND DIGEST as amended by Senate committee amendments)

VETERANS: Provides relative to the membership of the Veterans' Affairs Commission

DIGEST

Present law provides for the composition of the Veterans' Affairs Commission, to be made up of nine members. Requires the governor to make appointments from nominations by certain veterans organizations operating in this state and participating in the Dept. of Veterans Affairs.

Proposed law requires the governor to make six appointments from the nominees submitted and give due consideration to the demographics of the population of the state in such appointments.

Proposed law increases the number of members appointed by the governor who are not required to be a member of an eligible veterans organization from one to three.

Proposed law provides that all members serve at the pleasure of the governor and may be removed without cause prior to the expiration of the term upon written notice by the secretary of the La. Dept. of Veterans Affairs.

Proposed law also removes obsolete language regarding the terms of the initial appointments.

(Amends R.S. 29:253(A)(1)(b), (2)(a), and (3))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary B to the engrossed bill

1. Adds that appointments be made with consideration given to the demographics of the state.