

2018 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 170

BY SENATOR THOMPSON

AGRICULTURE/FOREST DEPT. Provides relative to the membership of the Louisiana Agricultural Chemistry and Seed Commission. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 3:1382(A)(4), relative to the Agricultural Chemistry and Seed
3 Commission; to provide for a change in the commission membership; and to provide
4 for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 3:1382(A)(4) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §1382. Commission; creation

8 A. There is hereby created, within the Department of Agriculture and
9 Forestry, the Louisiana Agricultural Chemistry and Seed Commission. The
10 commission shall consist of seven members as follows:

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12 (4) ~~The president of Louisiana Farm Bureau Federation, Inc. or his designee,~~
13 ~~subject to the approval of the commissioner.~~ **One member actively engaged in**
14 **farming appointed by the commissioner from a list of three nominees submitted**
15 **by the Louisiana Farm Bureau Federation, Inc. who shall serve at the pleasure**
16 **of the commissioner.**

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1 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
2 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
3 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
4 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
5 effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Curry Lann.

DIGEST

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Present law creates the Louisiana Agricultural Chemistry and Seed Commission within the Department of Agriculture and Forestry, consisting of seven members as follows:

- (1) The commissioner of agriculture and forestry or his designee.
- (2) One member and an alternate, representing the Louisiana Agricultural Experiment Station, appointed by the commissioner and serving at the pleasure of the commissioner.
- (3) One member and an alternate, representing the Louisiana Cooperative Extension Service, appointed by the commissioner and serving at the pleasure of the commissioner.
- (4) The president of Louisiana Farm Bureau Federation, Inc. or his designee, subject to the approval of the commissioner.
- (5) One member representing the seed industry appointed by the commissioner from a list of three nominees submitted by the Louisiana Ag Industries Association and serving at the pleasure of the commissioner.
- (6) One member representing the fertilizer industry appointed by the commissioner from a list of three nominees submitted by the Louisiana Ag Industries Association and serving at the pleasure of the commissioner.
- (7) One member representing the feed industry appointed by the commissioner from a list of three nominees submitted by the Louisiana Ag Industries Association and a list of three nominees submitted by the Louisiana Cattlemen's Association and serving at the pleasure of the commissioner.

Proposed law replaces the president of Louisiana Farm Bureau Federation, Inc., or his designee, with one member actively engaged in farming appointed by the commissioner from a list of three nominees submitted by the Louisiana Farm Bureau Federation and serving at the pleasure of the commissioner. Otherwise retains present law.

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

(Amends R.S. 3:1382(A)(4))