

**ACT No. 436**

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 557

BY REPRESENTATIVE JIMMY HARRIS

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 36:744(DD) and R.S. 44:428, relative to the Advisory Board of the Louisiana  
3 State Archives; to provide for the membership and officers of the board; to provide  
4 for the powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the board; and to provide for  
5 related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 36:744(DD) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §744. Transfer of boards, commissions, and agencies to the Department of State

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10 DD. The Advisory Board of the Louisiana State Archives (R.S. 44:428) is  
11 placed within the Department of State and shall perform and exercise its powers,  
12 duties, functions, and responsibilities in the manner provided for agencies transferred  
13 in accordance with R.S. 36:901 et seq.

14 Section 2. R.S. 44:428 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

15 §428. Advisory Board of the Louisiana State Archives

16 A. The Advisory Board of the Louisiana State Archives is hereby created in  
17 the Department of State.

18 B. The Advisory Board of the Louisiana State Archives shall be composed  
19 of the following members:

20 (1) Five members appointed by the secretary of state, one of whom shall be  
21 a clerk of court.

22 (2) Two members appointed by the secretary of state from a list of nominees  
23 provided by the Friends of the Louisiana State Archives, Inc.

24 (3) The secretary of state or his designee.

25 (4) The state archivist.

1                    C.(1) The board shall meet at least quarterly at the call of the secretary of  
2                    state and at a place determined by the secretary of state.

3                    (2) The secretary of state, at any time, may call special meetings of the board.

4                    D. The powers and duties of the board shall include but are not limited to  
5                    advising the secretary of state concerning the following:

6                    (1) The operation of the state archives.

7                    (2) Raising funds to promote the state archives.

8                    (3) Acquisitions by and donations to the state archives.

9                    (4) Improving and developing facilities and exhibits at the state archives.

10                  (5) Encouraging the cultural and educational enjoyment of the state archives.

11                  E. The members of the board shall elect from their membership a chairman  
12                  and a vice chairman.

13                  F. Each appointed member shall:

14                  (1) Have a knowledge of and interest in collecting, preserving, maintaining,  
15                  and making available records and artifacts of Louisiana's history.

16                  (2) Serve a term concurrent with that of the secretary of state.

17                  (3) Serve until his successor is appointed and takes office.

18                  G. Vacancies in the membership of the board shall be filled in the manner  
19                  of the original appointment.

20                  H. The members of the board shall serve without compensation.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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