

2023 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 101

BY REPRESENTATIVE EMERSON

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS: Provides for membership on the Fireman's Supplemental Pay Board

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1666.5(A) and (D), relative to the Fireman's Supplemental  
3 Pay Board; to provide relative to membership and service on the board; to provide  
4 relative to appointments to the board; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for  
5 related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 40:1666.5(A) and (D) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as  
8 follows:

9 §1666.5. Fireman's Supplemental Pay Board

10 A. There is hereby created a Fireman's Supplemental Pay Board, hereinafter  
11 referred to as the board, which shall consist of ~~five~~ seven persons appointed by the  
12 governor. Each appointment by the governor shall be submitted to the Senate for  
13 confirmation. In making his appointments the governor shall select two persons who  
14 are members in good standing of the Professional Firefighters Association of  
15 Louisiana, two persons who are members in good standing of the Louisiana State  
16 Fireman's Association, two persons who are members in good standing of the Fire  
17 Chief's Association, and one at-large member who has at least twenty-five years of  
18 firefighter experience. The board shall elect a chairman from its membership to  
19 serve a two-year term.

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Present law provides that, in case of vacancy or delay in appointment, the appointment shall be a member in good standing of the same fire fights organization as his predecessor, so that the board shall at all time consist of three persons who are members in good standing of the Professional Firefighters Association of La. and two persons who are members in good standing of the La. State Fireman's Assoc.

Proposed law provides that, if more than 30 days have passed since the governor has been notified of a vacancy on the board and no new appointment has been made or if more than 30 days have passed since the governor has taken his oath of office for the term and no initial appointment for that position for that term has been made, then a temporary appointee who is a member in good standing of the same fire fighters or fire chief's organization as the member who created the vacancy shall be appointed by such organization, so that the board shall at all times consist of two persons who are members in good standing of the Professional Firefighters Association of La., two persons who are members in good standing of the Louisiana State Fireman's Assoc., and two persons who are members in good standing of the Fire Chief's Assoc. Further provides that any member serving pursuant to the provisions of proposed law shall serve until the governor makes his appointment for that position pursuant to present law.

Effective at noon on January 8, 2024.

(Amends R.S. 40:1666.5(A) and (D))