
DIGEST

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Abstract: Establishes the Shreveport Water Works Museum within the Dept. of Culture, Recreation and Tourism.

Proposed law establishes the Shreveport Water Works Museum as a facility in the city of Shreveport under the overall jurisdiction of the Dept. of Culture, Recreation and Tourism (department).

Proposed law requires that the department's budget request and the governor's executive budget include funds sufficient to support the museum. Requires that funds appropriated for operation of the museum be used for such purpose. Prohibits charging the department any administrative costs associated with placing the museum within the department.

Proposed law authorizes the department to solicit and accept funds and other property for the museum either as loans or donations and provides with respect thereto. Authorizes the museum to serve as the beneficiary of any public trust created for such purpose. Grants the Board of Directors of the La. State Museum (board) authority of deaccession with respect to any collection of the museum and in case of such deaccessions exempts the board from present law relative to sale or disposal of surplus property. Requires the board to establish policies and procedures to carry out such authority.

Proposed law provides relative to unclaimed property loaned to or otherwise left with the museum. Provides that such property shall become property of the museum if no claim has been made after 10 years and after notice according to specified procedures. Provides that museum collections shall be available for use in educational projects subject to approval by the board.

(Adds R.S. 25:380.101-380.104)