
DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides relative to workforce development.

Present law provides for the office of workforce development within the La. Workforce Commission to coordinate, with entities administering the job training plans in the various workforce investment areas, pursuant to the Workforce Investment Act.

Present law creates the Workforce Investment Council as the state workforce investment board to meet the requirements of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to receive funds relevant to workforce activities, advise the governor of the needs of the state's employers and the workforce along with strategies for its continued improvement, create a common vision, a strategic state plan to assure cooperation between public and private entities, and direct the Occupational Forecasting Conference to determine the official information necessary for planning and budgeting with respect to workforce development.

Proposed law retains the substance of present law and changes references from the Workforce Investment Act to the Workforce Investment Innovation and Opportunity Act, which was enacted by Congress in 2014. Proposed law further changes "workforce investment boards" to "workforce development boards".

Proposed law provides for the assignment of workforce development areas pursuant to the new Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.

Proposed law allows the governor to decertify any local board for fraud, abuse, failure to perform their function or to meet accountability measures.

Proposed law reduces the number of members of the Workforce Investment Council pursuant to the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.

Proposed law alters the composition of the membership of local workforce development boards pursuant to the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.

(Amends R.S. 23:1853(B)(intro. para.) and (2), 1855, 1862(A)(intro. para.), 2042(intro. para.), (1), and (3), 2043(A)(intro para), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), and (11)(a) and (b)(xi), and (D), 2044, 2046, 2061(2) and (3), 2063(A)(1) and (B), 2065(A)(4), (7), and (8), 2091(A)(intro. para.) and (1), the

heading of Part V of Chapter 14 of Title 23, R.S. 23:2191, 2192(A) and (C), 2193(A), (B) and (D), 2195(A), 2196(A) and (B), 2197(section), 2200(A) and (B)(20), 2210(B); Adds R.S.23:2195(C), 2199(D): Repeals R.S.23:2043(A)(7) through (10), 2193(C) and 2196(E))