

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 154 (SB 57)

2015 Regular Session

Dorsey-Colomb

New law authorizes a Reverend Dr. T.J. Jemison memorial statue to be erected in the A.Z. Young Park in Baton Rouge.

Provides for the statue to be placed in a prominent location within the park.

Provides for private funds to be placed in an account for the establishment and maintenance of the statue to be managed by the Baton Rouge Area Foundation.

Creates the Reverend Dr. T.J. Jemison Memorial Statue Commission within the legislative branch of state government. Provides that the commission is composed of the children of Reverend Dr. T.J. Jemison, or their designees, a grandchild of Reverend Dr. T.J. Jemison or his designee, two ministers selected by his children, the member of the House of Representatives from District 67 and the member of the Senate from District 14.

Provides that the duties of the commission include making recommendations regarding and approving the design, content, and location of the memorial statue.

Provides that the first commission meeting shall occur during February 2016 and shall be called and presided over by the member of the Senate. Requires the commission at its first meeting to select its chairman, vice chairman, and other officers. Provides that commission members serve without compensation, except that legislative members shall receive compensation and reimbursement as allowed by the rules of each such member's respective house.

Provides that the provisions of new law which provide for the composition and duties of the commission shall expire on February 15, 2026, and that the commission shall be abolished on that date.

Effective August 1, 2015.

(Adds R.S. 49:149.64)