

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 181

BY REPRESENTATIVE ARMES

MILITARY AFFAIRS: Provides relative to the Louisiana Military Advisory Council

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 29:62(A), (2)(introductory paragraph), (f), and (3),  
3 65(A)(introductory paragraph), and 67, relative to the Louisiana Military Advisory  
4 Council; to amend with respect to the number of council members; to provide  
5 discretion in the council's duties and power; to remove the establishment and  
6 requirements of a certain working group; to provide technical corrections; and to  
7 provide for related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 29:62(A), (2)(introductory paragraph), (f), and (3),  
10 65(A)(introductory paragraph), and 67 are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

11 §62. Membership; ~~officers~~, officers and terms of office

12 A. The council shall be composed of ~~twenty-five~~ nineteen members.

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14 (2) The governor shall appoint ~~nineteen~~ thirteen members in accordance with  
15 the following provisions:

16 \* \* \*

17 (f) ~~Five~~ Three members shall be appointed from retired flag, general, or O-6  
18 officers, or a command sergeant major representing each of the armed services,  
19 national guard, and the reserves.



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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Makes modifications relative to the La. Military Advisory Council.

Present law (R.S. 29:62) provides membership with respect to the La. Military Advisory Council. Proposed law modifies the membership provided in present law.

Present law (R.S. 29:62(A)) provides for the council to be composed of 25 members. Proposed law modifies present law to reduce the number of council members from 25 to 19.

Present law provides for the governor's appointment of 19 members in accordance with the provisions of present law. Proposed law modifies present law to reduce the governor-appointed number from 19 to 13.

Proposed law modifies present law to reduce the appointed number from five to three concerning members appointed from retired flag, general, or O-6 officers, or a command sergeant major representing each of the armed services, national guard, and the reserves.

Present law provides for nine members to be appointed at-large and to be representative of national defense and homeland security businesses with operations in La., elected officials of an installation community, or president of a regional economic development organization. Proposed law reduces the present law appointed number from nine to five and otherwise retains present law.

Present law (R.S. 29:65(A)) generally provides duties and powers of council members. Requires council members to take certain action with respect to specified duties and powers. Proposed law retains present law duties and powers but makes a language modification to authorize the council's discretionary action.

Present law (R.S. 29:67(A)) requires the council to establish the Military Sustainment Working Group (hereinafter "group"). Requires the group to interface directly with military installation and command leadership on matters related to mission sustainment, quality of life, installation operations, and community and state relations. Requires the group to meet regularly, no less than 8 times annually and at the call of the chair. Requires the group to receive, collate, prioritize, and present to the council no less than twice annually the key initiatives related to mission sustainment, quality of life, installation operations, community and state relations, and a strategic plan to achieve optimal conditions. Proposed law deletes present law.

Present law (R.S. 29:67(B)) authorizes the council to create working groups composed of council members, stakeholders, and non-council members which meet in accordance with open meetings laws. Proposed law makes a technical change and retains present law.

Proposed law makes a technical change to update a statutory citation.

(Amends R.S. 29:62(A), (2)(intro. para.), (f), and (3), 65(A)(intro. para.), and 67)