

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 557

BY REPRESENTATIVE JIMMY HARRIS

STATE DEPARTMENT: Creates and provides for the Advisory Board of the La. State Archives within the Dept. of State

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 36:744(DD) and R.S. 44:428, relative to the Advisory Board of the Louisiana
3 State Archives; to provide for the membership and officers of the board; to provide
4 for the powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the board; and to provide for
5 related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 36:744(DD) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §744. Transfer of boards, commissions, and agencies to the Department of State

9 DD. The Advisory Board of the Louisiana State Archives (R.S. 44:428) is
10 placed within the Department of State and shall perform and exercise its powers,
11 duties, functions, and responsibilities in the manner provided for agencies transferred
12 in accordance with R.S. 36:901 et seq.

13 Section 2. R.S. 44:428 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

14 §428. Advisory Board of the Louisiana State Archives

15 A. The Advisory Board of the Louisiana State Archives is hereby created in
16 the Department of State.

17 B. The Advisory Board of the Louisiana State Archives shall be composed
18 of the following members, all of whom shall have a knowledge of and interest in
19 collecting, preserving, maintaining, and making available records and artifacts of
20 Louisiana's history:

1 (1) Five members appointed by the secretary of state.

2 (2) Two members appointed by the secretary of state from a list of nominees
3 provided by the Friends of the Louisiana State Archives, Inc.

4 (3) The secretary of state or his designee.

5 (4) The state archivist.

6 C.(1) The board shall meet at least quarterly at the call of the secretary of
7 state and at a place determined by the secretary of state.

8 (2) The secretary of state, at any time, may call special meetings of the board.

9 D. The powers and duties of the board shall include but are not limited to
10 advising the secretary of state on the operation of the state archives, advising the
11 secretary of state in raising funds to promote the state archives, acquisitions and
12 donations to the state archives, improving and developing facilities and exhibits at
13 the state archives, and encouraging the cultural and educational enjoyment of the
14 state archives.

15 E. The members of the board shall elect from their membership a chairman
16 and a vice chairman.

17 F. Each appointed member shall serve a term concurrent with that of the
18 secretary of state. The state archivist shall serve during his tenure in that office.

19 Each member shall serve until his successor is appointed and takes office.

20 G. Vacancies in the membership of the board shall be filled in the manner
21 of the original appointment.

22 H. The members of the board shall serve without compensation.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Creates and provides for the Advisory Bd. of the La. State Archives.

Proposed law creates the Advisory Bd. of the La. State Archives and places it within the Dept. of State. Provides for the membership and officers of the board. Provides for the powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities of the board.

(Adds R.S. 36:744(DD) and R.S. 44:428)