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DIGEST

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Present law provides for and specifies the allocation and use of space within the state capitol, pentagon courts buildings, and the Old Arsenal Museum, including the subbasement, basement, and all floors of the state capitol, all buildings in the pentagon courts, and the Old Arsenal Museum. Provides that except as otherwise provided in present law, the superintendent of state buildings will have charge of the management, operation, and maintenance of the state capitol building, pentagon courts buildings, the Old Arsenal Museum, and the capitol complex grounds.

Proposed law retains present law and makes a technical change in terminology from the superintendent of state buildings to the director of the office of state buildings.

Present law provides that in the performance of his duties, the superintendent will be under the authority and direction of the governor, the speaker of the House of Representatives, and the president of the Senate. Further provides that, subject to their joint approval and oversight, the superintendent of state buildings will, among other duties, maintain a memorial honoring law enforcement officers and firefighters who are killed in the line of duty and a monument honoring the sacrifices of Gold Star Families.

Proposed law retains present law making the terminology change to "director", and additionally requires, subject to the joint approval and oversight of the governor, the president of the Senate, and the speaker of the House of Representatives, the superintendent of state buildings to:

(1) Set aside and maintain an appropriate area on the east side of the state capitol on the grounds surrounding the Old Arsenal Museum known as the Louisiana Veterans Memorial Park, for a monument honoring the sacrifices of African-American service members.

(2) Plan, implement, and maintain the monument.

Proposed law specifies that funding sources for the initial construction of the monument will consist solely of private donations, grants, and other nonpublic monies. Provides, however, that public funds may be used to maintain the monument.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 49:150.1(C), (D), (E)(2),(F), (G)(intro para), (H)(1)(intro para); adds R.S. 49:150.1(I))