HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

HB 422 2021 Regular Session Emerson

PUBLIC SFTY/CORRECTIONS: Provides relative to the membership of the Reentry Advisory Council

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

- 1. Changes the removal of a member who misses two meetings <u>from</u> mandatory to permissive.
- 2. Adds a member to the council to be appointed from a list of three nominations from the Council on Children of Incarcerated Parents and Caregivers.
- 3. Makes technical changes.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

<u>Present law</u> provides for the Reentry Advisory Council established within the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections to serve as an advisory body to the secretary of the department and the legislature with respect to the administration of the inmate rehabilitation and workforce development program. <u>Present law</u> further provides that the council shall be comprised of 22 members, 12 of whom are appointed by the governor from a list of persons submitted by a specific entity. <u>Present law</u> provides that appointed members of the council shall serve for four-year terms.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds a member to the council appointed by the governor from a list of three persons nominated by the Council on the Children of Incarcerated Parents and Caregivers.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the council shall meet at least quarterly and may meet upon the call of the chairman or any three members.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and provides that any appointed member who is absent for two meetings out of four consecutive meetings of the council may be disqualified and removed from the council membership.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the council to notify the nominating entity if the person has been removed from the council membership pursuant to <u>proposed law</u> and request that the entity provide a list of three nominees to the governor to fill the vacancy. <u>Proposed law</u> further provides that the former member shall not be eligible for reappointment until expiration of the balance of the vacated term.

(Adds R.S. 15:1199.4(E)(13) and (O))