

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 876

BY REPRESENTATIVE PIERRE

MUSEUMS: Provides for the membership of the Louisiana Civil Rights Museum Advisory Board

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 25:845(B), (D), and (F) and 846(B)(5), relative to the Louisiana  
3 Civil Rights Museum Advisory Board; to provide relative to the membership of the  
4 board; to provide relative to terms of members of the board and removal of  
5 members; to provide for technical changes; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 25:845(B), (D), and (F) and 846(B)(5) are hereby amended and  
8 reenacted to read as follows:

9 §845. Louisiana Civil Rights Museum Advisory Board; creation; membership

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11 B. The advisory board shall be ~~initially~~ composed of the following ~~twenty-~~  
12 ~~one~~ twenty-two members:

13 (1) ~~The state senator representing the district where the museum is located,~~  
14 ~~or her designee.~~

15 (2) ~~The state representative representing the district where the museum is~~  
16 ~~located, or her designee.~~

17 (3) ~~One member shall be appointed by the city of New Orleans~~  
18 ~~councilperson representing the district where the museum is located.~~

19 (4) ~~One member shall be appointed by the mayor of the city of New Orleans.~~

1           ~~(5) Two members shall be appointed by the governor and subject to~~  
2           ~~confirmation by the Louisiana Senate. Such members shall serve at the pleasure of~~  
3           ~~the governor.~~

4           ~~(6) The lieutenant governor or his designee.~~

5           ~~(7) Seven members, one from each of the state's congressional districts and~~  
6           ~~the remaining member or members from the state at large, shall also be appointed by~~  
7           ~~the lieutenant governor, subject to confirmation by the Louisiana Senate.~~

8           ~~(8) One member shall be a representative of and appointed by the Efforts of~~  
9           ~~Grace, Inc.~~

10          ~~(9) One member shall be a representative of and appointed by the Oretha C.~~  
11          ~~Haley Blvd. Merchants, Associates.~~

12          ~~(10) One member shall be a representative of and appointed by the Central~~  
13          ~~City Partnership.~~

14          ~~(11) One member shall be appointed by the chancellor of Southern~~  
15          ~~University at New Orleans.~~

16          ~~(12) One member shall be appointed by the chancellor of Southern~~  
17          ~~University at Baton Rouge.~~

18          ~~(13) One member shall be a representative of and appointed by the Amistead~~  
19          ~~Research Center.~~

20          ~~(14) One member shall be a representative of and appointed by the Louisiana~~  
21          ~~Commission on Human Rights.~~

22          (1) Six members shall be appointed by the Louisiana Legislative Black  
23          Caucus.

24          (2) Six members shall be appointed by the lieutenant governor.

25          (3) One member shall be appointed by the board of directors of the Louisiana  
26          State Museum.

27          (4) One member shall be appointed by the mayor of the city of Alexandria.

28          (5) One member shall be appointed by the mayor of the city of Baton Rouge.

29          (6) One member shall be appointed by the mayor of the city of Lafayette.

(7) One member shall be appointed by the mayor of the city of Lake Charles.

(8) One member shall be appointed by the mayor of the city of Monroe.

(9) One member shall be appointed by the mayor of the city of New Orleans.

(10) One member shall be appointed by the mayor of the city of Shreveport.

(11) One member shall be appointed by the president of the Southern University System.

(12) One member shall be appointed by the president of Grambling State University.

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~~D. All subsequent members shall be appointed by the advisory board. The advisory board may, by majority vote, appoint a total of twenty-three members to the board. The board, by majority vote, may appoint two additional members to the initial appointment of twenty-one members as it deems necessary.~~

(1) Members shall serve four-year terms after the initial terms as provided in this Paragraph. Five members shall serve an initial term of one year; five members shall serve a term of two years; six members shall serve a term of three years; six members shall serve a term of four years, as determined by lot at the first meeting of the board.

(2) Any member may be removed from the advisory board by his appointing authority or by a majority vote of the advisory board after notice and a hearing by the advisory board wherein grounds for removal have been established. Grounds for removal shall include but not be limited to abandonment of office, neglect of duty, breach of duty, and unprofessional or dishonorable conduct.

(3) A vacancy on the advisory board shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

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~~F.(1) Legislative members of the board shall receive the same per diem and travel allowance for attending meetings of the board or any meeting thereof as they~~

~~receive for attendance at legislative committee meetings during the interim between sessions and from the same source.~~

3                   ~~(2) Nonlegislative members~~ Members of the board shall receive no  
4                   compensation for services rendered in their capacity as a member of the board.

5 §846. Powers and duties of the advisory board

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7 B. The advisory board shall:

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9 (5) Perform such other functions as are otherwise provided by this Chapter  
10 ~~and R.S. 36:919.7.~~

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Section 2. On the effective date of this Act, the terms of office of the members of the advisory board serving on that date shall terminate. Prior to the effective date of this Act, the appointing entities shall appoint the members of the advisory board as provided for by this Act, and such members shall take office on the effective date of this Act.

16 Section 3. This Act shall become effective on August 15, 2022.

# DIGEST

The digest printed below was prepared by House Legislative Services. It constitutes no part of the legislative instrument. The keyword, one-liner, abstract, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

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**Abstract:** Provides relative to the membership of the La. Civil Rights Museum Advisory Bd.

Present law provides for the creation of the La. Civil Rights Museum Advisory Bd. in the Dept. of Culture, Recreation and Tourism.

Further provides for an advisory board initially composed of the following 21 members:

- (1) The state senator representing the district where the museum is located, or her designee.
- (2) The state representative representing the district where the museum is located, or her designee.
- (3) One member appointed by the city of New Orleans councilperson representing the district where the museum is located.

- (4) One member appointed by the mayor of the city of New Orleans.
- (5) Two members appointed by the governor and subject to confirmation by the La. Senate. Such members shall serve at the pleasure of the governor.
- (6) The lieutenant governor or his designee.
- (7) Seven members, one from each of the state's congressional districts and the remaining member or members from the state at large, appointed by the lieutenant governor, subject to confirmation by the La. Senate.
- (8) One member shall be a representative and appointed by the Efforts of Grace, Inc.
- (9) One member shall be a representative of and appointed by the Oretha C. Haley Blvd. Merchants, Associates.
- (10) One member shall be a representative of and appointed by the Central City Partnership.
- (11) One member appointed by the chancellor of Southern University at New Orleans.
- (12) One member appointed by the chancellor of Southern University at Baton Rouge.
- (13) One member shall be a representative of and appointed by the Amistead Research Center.
- (14) One member shall be a representative of and appointed by the La. Commission on Human Rights.

Proposed law deletes membership of the board in its entirety, with the exception of the member appointed by the mayor of New Orleans, and changes the number of board members from 21 to 22. Provides for the following new board members:

- (1) Six members appointed by the La. Legislative Black Caucus.
- (2) Six members appointed by the lieutenant governor.
- (3) One member appointed by the board of directors of the La. State Museum.
- (4) One member appointed by the mayor of the city of Alexandria.
- (5) One member appointed by the mayor of the city of Baton Rouge.
- (6) One member appointed by the mayor of the city of Lafayette.
- (7) One member appointed by the mayor of the city of Lake Charles.
- (8) One member appointed by the mayor of the city of Monroe.
- (9) One member appointed by the mayor of the city of Shreveport.
- (10) One member appointed by the president of the Southern University System.
- (11) One member appointed by the president of Grambling State University.

Present law provides that all subsequent members shall be appointed by the board. Further provides that the board, by majority vote, may appoint two additional members to the initial appointments of 21 members as it deems necessary. Proposed law deletes present law

provisions in their entirety and replaces them with requirement that members serve staggered four-year terms.

Proposed law adds provision that any member may be removed from the advisory board by his appointing authority or by a majority vote of the advisory board after notice and a hearing by the advisory board wherein grounds for removal have been established. Grounds for removal include but are not limited to abandonment of office, neglect of duty, breach of duty, and unprofessional or dishonorable conduct.

Effective Aug. 15, 2022.

(Amends R.S. 25:845(B), (D), and (F) and 846(B)(5))