
DIGEST

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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))