

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 694

BY REPRESENTATIVES BOYD, BAYHAM, BILLINGS, CARVER, COX, KNOX,  
MOORE, NEWELL, STAGNI, AND WILLARD

1 AN ACT

2 To enact Chapter 4-A of Title 25 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised  
3 of R.S. 25:315 through 317, and R.S. 36:209(A)(11) relative to the Louisiana Music  
4 Commission; to establish the commission within the Department of Culture,  
5 Recreation and Tourism, to provide relative to operating funds and appropriations  
6 by the legislature; to provide relative to donations to the commission; and to provide  
7 for related matters.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. Chapter 4-A of Title 25 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950,  
10 comprised of R.S. 25:315 through 317, is hereby enacted to read as follows:

11 CHAPTER 4-A. LOUISIANA MUSIC COMMISSION

12 §315. Louisiana Music Commission; creation; membership

13 A.(1) The Louisiana Music Commission, referred to in this Chapter as the  
14 "commission" is established in the office of cultural development within the  
15 Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, referred to in this Chapter as the  
16 "department", and shall be domiciled in the greater Baton Rouge area. The  
17 commission shall be composed of fifteen persons.

18 (2) Thirteen members of the commission shall be appointed by the lieutenant  
19 governor, at least one of whom shall be a member of a minority, for a term  
20 concurrent with that of the lieutenant governor making the appointment. Each

1 appointment by the lieutenant governor shall be submitted to the Senate for  
2 confirmation.

3 (3) Two members of the commission shall be appointed by the secretary of  
4 state, at least one of whom shall be a member of a minority, for a term concurrent  
5 with that of the secretary of state making the appointment. Each appointment by the  
6 secretary of state shall be submitted to the Senate for confirmation.

7 (4) The lieutenant governor shall designate one of the members to serve as  
8 chairman. The members shall elect other officers as they deem necessary for the  
9 efficient operation of the business of the commission. A majority of the commission  
10 shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business of the commission.

11 B. A vacancy in the membership of the commission shall be filled by an  
12 appointment made by either the lieutenant governor or the secretary of state,  
13 whichever made the original appointment that is now vacant.

14 C. Members shall receive no compensation for their services.

15 D. Meetings shall be held upon call of the chairman at such time and place  
16 within the state of Louisiana as he designates in the notice, which he shall give to the  
17 full membership. The commission shall hold not less than two meetings nor more  
18 than fourteen meetings during each calendar year and other special meetings as  
19 necessary. Meetings shall be called by the chairman when requested by three  
20 members of the commission.

21 E. With the consent of the secretary of the department, the commission may  
22 appoint a director to administer the functions of the commission. The director is  
23 subject to the direct supervision of the secretary of the department.

24 §316. Operating funds; appropriations by the legislature

25 A. The department shall include in its annual budget request, required by  
26 R.S. 39:32, a request for funds necessary for support of the commission. The  
27 governor shall include in the executive budget submitted to the legislature sufficient  
28 funding for the support of the operations of the commission.

29 B. Funds appropriated by the legislature to the department for the operation  
30 of the commission shall be used solely for that purpose. No administrative costs of

