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## DIGEST

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HB 316 Engrossed

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**Abstract:** Modifies the membership of the Drug Policy Board and modernizes language.

Present law states that the Drug Policy Board (board) is composed of 23 members.

Proposed law increases the membership of the board to 25 members.

Proposed law removes the executive director of the Safe and Drug-Free School and Communities Program or his designee and a representative of a federal agency with responsibilities in alcohol and drug abuse education, treatment, or prevention from the board.

Proposed law adds all of the following members to the board:

- (1) A representative from the Board of Regents.
- (2) An individual who has been in recovery for at least five years and is actively engaged in substance use prevention and peer support efforts.
- (3) The executive director of the office of drug policy within the office of the governor or his designee.
- (4) The director of the Louisiana Supreme Court Drug and Specialty Court Office or his designee.

Present law provides that the board shall submit an interim report to the governor regarding findings, activities, and recommendations by July 1, 1991, and submit quarterly reports thereafter.

Proposed law modifies present law by requiring the board to submit an annual report regarding findings, activities, and recommendations on July 1st each year and submit quarterly reports if deemed necessary by the board or the governor.

Proposed law modernizes and updates language in present law.

(Amends R.S. 49:219.1, 219.2(B)(1)(intro. para.) and (a)(intro. para.) and (xi) and (c)(i), (iii), and (viii) and (2), 219.3(A), and 219.4; Adds R.S. 49:219.2(B)(1)(a)(xiv) and (xv))

### Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to the original bill:

1. Make technical changes.