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**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2026 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary C to Original Senate Bill No. 123  
by Senator Morris

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1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 3, after "gubernatorial" delete the remainder of the line and insert "powers  
3 and duties; to require gubernatorial certification of the removal by legislative address of  
4 certain judges or a Louisiana Supreme Court justice"

5 AMENDMENT NO. 2

6 On page 1, delete lines 4 and 5

7 AMENDMENT NO. 3

8 On page 1, line 6, delete "Senate"

9 AMENDMENT NO. 4

10 On page 1, delete lines 14 and 15 and insert:

11 "(I) Removal Power **and Duties**. The governor ~~may remove from office a:~~"

12 AMENDMENT NO. 5

13 On page 1, line 16, delete "**Remove**" and insert "**May remove**"

14 AMENDMENT NO. 6

15 On page 2, delete lines 1 through 19 and insert:

16 **"(2) On receiving a joint legislative address, shall certify the removal of**  
17 **an elected or temporarily appointed district, juvenile, family, parish, municipal,**  
18 **or court of appeal judge, or a Louisiana Supreme Court justice for malfeasance,**  
19 **gross misconduct, or incompetence committed while in office if:**

20 **(a) The cause for removal was stated and entered in the journal of the**  
21 **house of the legislature in which the address originated and a copy thereof was**  
22 **served on the judge prior to removal.**

23 **(b) A trial by the Senate, with senators under oath or affirmation for the**  
24 **trial, is conducted, at which the judge may present his defense to the stated**  
25 **cause for removal.**

26 **(c) The legislative address received a favorable vote of a majority of the**  
27 **elected members of the House of Representatives and a two-thirds majority of**  
28 **the elected members of the Senate.**

29 **(3) The removed judge is permanently barred from seeking any judicial**  
30 **office in the state of Louisiana.**

31 **(4) Nothing in Subparagraph (2) of this Paragraph shall be construed**  
32 **as precluding removal of a judge by impeachment pursuant to Article X,**  
33 **Section 24 of this constitution or by the supreme court pursuant to Article V,**  
34 **Section 25 of this constitution."**

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36 AMENDMENT NO. 7

37 On page 2, delete lines 28 and 29 and insert:

38 "Do you support an amendment requiring the governor to certify the removal of an  
39 elected or temporarily appointed district, juvenile, family, parish, municipal, or court  
40 of appeal judge, or a Louisiana Supreme Court justice for malfeasance, gross

1 misconduct, or incompetence while in office, after a trial in the Senate and after a  
2 vote to remove by a majority of the elected members of the House of Representatives  
3 and a two-thirds majority of the elected members of the Senate?"

4 AMENDMENT NO. 8

5 On page 3, delete lines 1 and 2 and insert:

6 "Section 4. This Act shall be known as the Jacob Carter Act."