

**ACT No. 76**

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 553

BY REPRESENTATIVES CARLSON AND CHASSION

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1907(E), (F)(1)(a) and (b), and (G)(1), relative to assessors; to increase the membership of the assessors' certification program committee; to provide for committee member qualifications; to expand the courses eligible to meet the educational requirements for the assessors' professional certification program; to expand courses eligible to meet educational requirements for the recertification of assessors; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 47:1907(E), (F)(1)(a) and (b), and (G)(1) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1907. Salaries

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E. The assessors' certification program committee, hereinafter referred to as the "certification committee", is hereby created to govern the assessors' professional certification program. The certification committee shall be composed of ~~five~~ eleven members who shall serve one-year terms and who may be reappointed. The members shall be appointed as follows:

(1) One member shall be the ~~chairman of the education committee~~ Education Coordinator of the Louisiana Assessors Association who shall serve as chairman of the certification committee.

(2) ~~One member~~ Two members shall be appointed by the Louisiana Tax Commission.



1 (b) A minimum of seventy-four hours of continuing education offered by the  
 2 International Association of Assessing Officers or the Appraisal Institute, which  
 3 shall include the International Association of Assessing Officers Workshop 151  
 4 Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice (USPAP) course, the  
 5 Workshop 191 National USPAP Update, or an approved Appraisal Foundation one  
 6 or two-day Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice (USPAP) course  
 7 and at least one course, thirty hours minimum, on appraisal of property, for which  
 8 no written examination shall be required. The remaining hours shall be selected  
 9 from recertification guidelines as adopted by the certification committee. All  
 10 designees shall obtain recertification within a five-year period.

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12 Section 2. This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2027.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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