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<u>Existing law</u> creates and provides for a commission for the purpose of making recommendations for the development of statewide policies, principles, and programs that address the state's economic needs and promoting student success in high school and life beyond secondary education. <u>Prior law</u> provided that this commission was named the "High School Redesign Commission". <u>New law</u> renames the commission as the "College and Career Readiness Commission".

<u>Existing law</u> places the commission as an advisory agency within the Dept. of Education of the executive branch of state government. Provides for commission membership to be composed of the governor, the state superintendent of education, legislators, persons from state education boards and agencies, persons from various education-related groups and organizations appointed by such groups and organizations, and persons from business and community organizations appointed by the governor. Further provides that commission members serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority and vacancies be filled in the manner of original appointment.

<u>New law</u> decreases the commission membership as follows:

- (1) One member, instead of two, from the La. Task Force on Workforce Competitiveness.
- (2) One representative, instead of four, from the La. School Boards Association.
- (3) One representative, instead of two, from the La. Association of School Superintendents.
- (4) One representative, instead of two, from the La. Association of Principals.
- (5) One representative, instead of two, from the La. Association of School Executives.
- (6) Two representatives, instead of four, from business, civic, labor, or community organizations.

<u>New law</u> adds that a commission member shall be removed and his seat declared vacant if he is no longer a legal resident of La., fails to remain active in or is no longer employed by the organization or agency he was appointed to represent, or is absent from two consecutive commission meetings unless excused by the commission chairman.

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(Amends R.S. 17:3217.1(C)(1), the heading of Chapter 41 of Title 17, and 3951(A) and R.S. 36:651(G)(2))