

Regular Session, 2013

SENATE BILL NO. 167

BY SENATOR CHABERT

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

SEAFOOD. Transfers the Louisiana Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board to the Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 36:802.5, and R.S. 56:578.2(A)(1) and (E), 578.4, 578.7, and

3 578.10, to enact R.S. 36:209(Y), and to repeal R.S. 36:610(E), relative to the

4 Louisiana Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board; to transfer the board to the

5 Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism; to provide certain terms,

6 conditions, and requirements; to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 36:802.5 is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 36:209(Y) is

9 hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §209. Transfer of boards, commissions, departments, and agencies to Department of

11 Culture, Recreation and Tourism

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13 **Y. The Louisiana Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board (R.S.**

14 **56:578.1 et seq.) is placed within the Department of Culture, Recreation, and**

15 **Tourism and shall perform its duties, powers, functions, and responsibilities as**

16 **provided for agencies transferred in accordance with R.S. 36:802.5.**

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1 §802.5. Transfer; certain appointive authority retained

2 The agencies placed in the ~~Department of Wildlife and Fisheries~~ **Department**  
3 **of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism** by ~~R.S. 36:610(E)~~ **R.S. 36:209(Y)** shall  
4 exercise and carry out all powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities as provided  
5 by R.S. 36:802, except that each agency shall hire its own director and assistant  
6 director, subject to the approval of the secretary of the ~~Department of Wildlife and~~  
7 ~~Fisheries~~ **Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism**.

8 Section 2. R.S. 56:578.2(A)(1) and (E), 578.4, 578.7, and 578.10, are hereby  
9 amended and reenacted to read as follows:

10 §578.2. Louisiana Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board; creation and  
11 organization

12 A.(1) There is hereby created in the ~~office of fisheries of the Department of~~  
13 ~~Wildlife and Fisheries~~ **Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism** the  
14 Louisiana Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board. The agency shall have its  
15 domicile in Baton Rouge and shall be governed by a board of trustees composed of  
16 fourteen members, thirteen members appointed by the governor from persons  
17 engaged in the commercial seafood, crawfish and alligator industry in Louisiana and  
18 the fourteenth member to be the secretary of the ~~Department of Wildlife and~~  
19 ~~Fisheries~~ **Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism** or his designated  
20 representative, who shall serve as an ex officio nonvoting member.

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22 E. The board may employ a director and assistant director who shall be  
23 appointed by the board, subject to the approval of the secretary of the ~~Department~~  
24 ~~of Wildlife and Fisheries~~ **Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism**. The  
25 director and assistant director shall be in the unclassified service. The secretary may  
26 employ such other personnel for the board as he deems necessary and appropriate.

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28 §578.4. Advertising, contracts and sales offices

29 ~~A.~~ The board, working with the ~~Department of Wildlife and Fisheries~~



1 40:5.5(E).

2 Section 3. R.S. 36:610(E) is hereby repealed.

3 Section 4. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
4 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
5 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
6 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
7 effective on the day following such approval.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by McHenry Lee.

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DIGEST

Present law creates the Louisiana Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board within the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

Proposed law transfers the board from the DW&F to the Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 36:802.5 and R.S. 56:578.2(A)(1) and (E), 578.4, 578.7, and 578.10; adds R.S. 36:209(Y); repeals R.S. 36:610(E))