

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 601

BY REPRESENTATIVE HOLLIS

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

PUBLIC SERVICE COMN: Provides age, residence, and domicile requirements for members of the Public Service Commission

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 45:1161.1, relative to members elected to the Public Service
3 Commission; to require certain age, residence, and domicile requirements for elected
4 members; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 45:1161.1 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §1161.1. Creation; composition; age; residence; domicile; qualifications; election;
8 terms

9 A. There shall be a ~~public service commission~~ Public Service Commission,
10 which shall consist of five members, who shall be qualified electors. The members
11 shall be elected from single-member districts, established as provided by law.

12 B. An elector who at the time of qualification as a candidate and who has
13 attained the age of eighteen years, resided in the state for the preceding two years,
14 and been actually domiciled in the single-member district established by law from
15 which he seeks election is eligible for election to the commission.

16 C. The members shall be elected at the congressional elections for
17 overlapping terms of six years, and shall take office and begin their terms on the first
18 day of January following election.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides certain age, residence, and domicile requirements for members elected to the Public Service Commission.

Present law provides for a Public Service Commission. Further provides for the commission to consist of 5 members who are qualified electors, elected from single-member districts as provided by law. Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law adds requirements for persons elected to the Public Service Commission to be 18 years old, having lived in the state of La. for the previous 2 years, and having actually been domiciled for the previous year in the single-member district from which he seeks election, prior to election to the Public Service Commission.

Present law requires members to be elected at congressional elections for overlapping terms of 6 years, and requires members to take office and begin their terms on the first day of January following election. Proposed law retains present law.

(Amends R.S. 45:1161.1)