

2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 177

BY REPRESENTATIVE FOIL

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS: Provides relative to the Louisiana Naval War Memorial Commission

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 25:1001(B) and (C) and to enact R.S. 25:1001(E), relative to the
3 Louisiana Naval War Memorial Commission; to provide with respect to the quorum
4 and meeting requirements of the commission; to provide relative to the removal of
5 commission members; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 25:1001(B) and (C) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.
8 25:1001(E) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §1001. Commission

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11 B. The initial appointive members of the commission shall be appointed by
12 September 15, 1979, and in making his appointments, the governor shall designate
13 five members to serve initial terms of two years, five to serve initial terms of four
14 years, and six to serve initial terms of six years. Thereafter, the members shall be
15 appointed for terms of six years each. A vacancy in the membership of the
16 commission shall be filled by the governor by appointment for the unexpired term.
17 ~~A member of the commission may be removed by the governor for cause.~~

18 C. The commission shall be domiciled in Baton Rouge. The commission
19 shall elect a chairman, a vice chairman, and such other officers as it shall determine.
20 The commission shall hold at least ~~three~~ one regular ~~meetings~~ meeting each year and

1 may hold other meetings upon call of the chairman or a majority of the members.

2 ~~Nine members~~ A majority of serving members shall constitute a quorum for the
3 transaction of business.

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5 E.(1) The governor or the commission may remove a member for cause.

6 (2) If a member misses two consecutive meetings and the absences have not
7 been approved by the commission, the commission may remove the member. If the
8 commission seeks to remove a member pursuant to this Paragraph, it shall notify the
9 governor in writing prior to removal of the member. If the governor does not object
10 to the removal within thirty days of receipt of written notification, the commission
11 may remove the member.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Revises the meeting and quorum requirements for the La. Naval War Memorial Commission and provides relative to the removal of commission members.

Present law creates the La. Naval War Memorial Commission under the Dept. of Culture, Recreation and Tourism. Present law provides for a 17-member commission. Proposed law retains present law.

Present law requires the commission to hold at least three regular meetings each year, and authorizes other meetings upon call of the chairman or a majority of the members. Proposed law requires only one annual meeting.

Present law requires a quorum of nine members for the transaction of business. Proposed law changes quorum requirement to a majority of serving members.

Present law requires that a vacancy in the membership of the commission be filled by the governor by appointment for the unexpired term. Further provides that members may be removed by the governor for cause. Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law authorizes the commission to remove members for cause.

Proposed law authorizes the commission to remove a member who misses two consecutive meetings if the absences have not been approved by the commission. Requires the commission to notify the governor in writing prior to removal of such member. Further authorizes the commission to remove such member if the governor does not object to the removal within 30 days of the receipt of written notification.

(Amends R.S. 25:1001(B) and (C); Adds R.S. 25:1001(E))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Add provision for gubernatorial objection to removal of a member for unapproved absences.