

SENATE BILL NO. 209

BY SENATOR WALSWORTH

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

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Sections 2(B)(11) and (12) and to add Section 2 (B)(13) of Article X of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to public officials and employees; to provide that the director, deputy director and all employees of the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness shall serve in unclassified service of the state civil service; and to specify an election for submission of the proposition to electors and provide a ballot proposition.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to place the director, deputy director and all employees of the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness in the unclassified service of the state civil service and to amend Sections 2(B)(11) and (12) and to add Section 2(B)(13) of Article X to the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

§2. Classified and Unclassified Service

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(B) Unclassified Service. The unclassified service shall include the following officers and employees in the state and city civil service:

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(11) commissioners of elections, watchers, and custodians and deputy custodians of voting machines; ~~and~~

(12) railroad employees whose working conditions and retirement benefits are regulated by federal agencies in accordance with federal law; ~~and~~

**(13) the director, deputy director, and all employees of the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness.**

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Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on October 2, 2010.

Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at said election there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted to vote FOR or AGAINST, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as follows:

To provide that the director, deputy director and all employees of the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness shall be in the unclassified service of the state civil service.

(Amends Article X, Sections 2(B)(11) and (12); adds Article X, Section 2 (B)(13))

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES