
HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2019 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Commerce to Original House Bill No. 391
by Representative Foil

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, change "57" to "60"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 11, change "57" to 60"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 13, change "57" to "60"

1 AMENDMENT NO. 4

2 On page 1, delete lines 17 through 20 in their entirety and on page 2, delete lines 1 through
3 13 in their entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

4 "§3202. Legislative findings; creation; purpose

5 A. The Legislature of Louisiana hereby finds and declares all of the
6 following:

7 (1) It is necessary and appropriate to honor the sacrifice that Louisiana
8 veterans have made on our behalf.

9 (2) A program recognizing and promoting veteran-owned businesses will
10 help to instill a sense of patriotism in the community and throughout the state and
11 will aid the men and women who were wounded, incapacitated, or otherwise placed
12 their lives on hold to fight for freedom.

13 (3) After serving in the armed forces, veterans often return with dreams of
14 starting a business to continue to serve the community, reassimilate, and earn an
15 income in civilian life.

16 (4) The Legislature of Louisiana appreciates and recognizes veterans'
17 sacrifices and intends to encourage and promote veteran-owned businesses as a vital
18 part of the economy of the state.

19 B. The Legislature of Louisiana hereby creates The Veterans First Business
20 Initiative which shall be administered by Louisiana Economic Development.

21 C. It is the intent of the Legislature of Louisiana:

22 (1) That The Veterans First Business Initiative shall highlight and promote
23 veteran-owned businesses to the public making them easily identifiable and
24 accessible to enable citizens to support veterans.

25 (2) That a cooperation among Louisiana Economic Development, the
26 Louisiana Department of Veterans Affairs, local chambers of commerce, regional
27 economic development organizations, and local economic development
28 organizations throughout the state is harmoniously developed in order to promote
29 veteran-owned businesses.

30 (3) That The Veterans First Business Initiative shall reach out to veterans
31 who own businesses to encourage and assist the veteran to apply for the program and
32 to facilitate interactions between veteran-owned businesses and veterans seeking
33 employment."

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