

Regular Session, 1997

SENATE BILL NO. 1511

BY SENATOR BAJIOIE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Sections 2(A) and (b) and 3 of Act No. 305 of the 1978 Regular Session of the Legislature, as amended by Act No. 572 of the 1984 Regular Session of the Legislature, and Act No. 1013 of the 1993 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to the board of commissioners for the Ernest N. Morial-New Orleans Exhibition Authority; to add one additional member to the board; to provide for confirmation of members; to provide with respect to quorum requirements; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. Sections 2(A) and (b) and 3 of Act No. 305 of the 1978 Regular Session of the Legislature, as amended by Act No. 572 of the 1984 Regular Session of the Legislature, and Act No. 1013 of the 1993 Regular Session of the Legislature are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

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Section 2.a. The authority shall be governed by a board of commissioners, hereinafter called the "board", which shall be composed of twelve appointed members. Three members shall be appointed by the governor. One member shall be appointed by the mayor of the city of New Orleans with the consent of the council of the city of New Orleans. One member shall be appointed by the governor

from a list of three names submitted by the New Orleans Restaurant Association. Two members shall be appointed by the governor, who shall be persons that reside within the territorial limits of the authority. One member shall be appointed by the governor from a list of three names submitted by the Greater New Orleans Hotel and Motel Association. One member shall be appointed by the mayor of the city of New Orleans from a list of three names submitted by the Greater New Orleans Tourist and Convention Commission with the consent of the council of the city of New Orleans. One member shall be appointed by the mayor of the city of New Orleans from a list of three names submitted by the Chamber-New Orleans and the River Region with the consent of the council of the city of New Orleans. One member shall be appointed by the governor who shall be a resident of the legislative district in which the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center is located, and who shall be selected by the state representative and state senator from that district. From the names remaining on the list of the various aforesaid organizations, the governor shall select and appoint one of them as a member of the authority and who shall also serve as its president. Except as provided in the Subsection, all persons who are appointed to the board shall be residents of or have their principal place of business in the parish of Orleans.

b. The members of the board who are appointed by the governor shall serve at the pleasure of the governor. All commissioners appointed by the mayor except a commissioner appointed to fill an unexpired term shall be appointed for terms of four years.

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Section 3. The domicile of the Authority shall be in the city of New Orleans, Louisiana. As soon as practicable after their

appointment, the commissioners shall meet at the domicile and elect from their number a vice president and such other officers as may be considered appropriate. The secretary and treasurer of the board, which offices may be combined, may be selected by the board from among the members or may be otherwise selected by the board. The board shall adopt such rules and regulations as may be necessary for its own government. Seven members of the board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The board shall keep a record of all of its proceedings, and it shall designate one newspaper of general circulation in the parish of Orleans as its official journal in which an extract of the minutes of such proceedings shall be published.

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Section 2. This Act shall not apply to or affect the term of any board member serving on the effective date of this Act.

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_