

Regular Session, 2009

HOUSE BILL NO. 59

BY REPRESENTATIVE RICHARDSON

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

TOURISM/COMMISSION: Provides relative to the La. Naval War Memorial Commission

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 25:1001(A) and (D), relative to the Louisiana Naval War
3 Memorial Commission; to change the membership composition of the commission;
4 to provide relative to the use of commission funds; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 25:1001(A) and (D) are hereby amended and reenacted to read as
7 follows:

8 §1001. Commission

9 A. There is hereby created in the Department of Culture, Recreation and
10 Tourism, Office of Tourism, the Louisiana Naval War Memorial Commission. The
11 commission shall be composed of seventeen members, one of whom shall be the
12 secretary of the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, or his designee, one
13 of whom shall be the director of veterans affairs, and fifteen of whom shall be
14 appointed by the governor. ~~At least four of the members shall be residents of East
15 Baton Rouge Parish, and the remaining appointive members shall be appointed from
16 throughout the state in such a manner as to provide general statewide representation
17 on the commission.~~

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19 D. Members shall serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for
20 actual expenses incurred in attendance at meetings and otherwise in the performance

1 of the duties of the commission at the direction of the commission. ~~Any such~~
2 ~~expenses shall be payable only out of self-generated funds of the commission. No~~
3 ~~state-generated funds shall be used for the upkeep and operation of the commission~~
4 ~~except for the initial appropriation contained in House Bill 160 of the 1979 Regular~~
5 ~~Session of the Louisiana Legislature.~~

DIGEST

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Abstract: Revises the composition of the La. Naval War Memorial Commission and provides relative to its use of funds.

Present law creates the La. Naval War Memorial Commission under the Dept. of Culture, Recreation and Tourism to operate, maintain, and exhibit the U.S.S. Kidd. Present law provides for a seventeen-member commission. Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that four members of the commission shall be appointed from East Baton Rouge Parish and 11 members shall be appointed from across the state so as to yield statewide representation. Proposed law removes this residency requirement.

Present law authorizes the reimbursement of commission members for expenses they incur in the performance of their duties. Present law requires that such expenses be paid only out of self-generated funds of the commission. Proposed law removes this requirement.

Present law prohibits the use of state funds for the upkeep and operation of the commission. Proposed law removes this prohibition.

(Amends R.S. 25:1001(A) and (D))