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DIGEST

Marionneaux (SB 339)

Present constitution provides that the control and supervision of the wildlife of the state, including all aquatic life, is vested in the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission ("commission").

Present constitution provides that the commission will be in the executive branch and will consist of 7 members appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate.

Present constitution provides that 6 members will serve overlapping terms of 6 years, and 1 member will serve a term concurrent with that of the governor. Further provides that 3 members will be electors of the coastal parishes and representatives of the commercial fishing and fur industries, and 4 will be electors from the state at large other than representatives of the commercial fishing and fur industries, as provided by present law.

Present constitution provides that no member who has served 6 years or more will be eligible for reappointment.

Proposed constitutional amendment changes the membership composition of the commission.

Proposed constitutional amendment provides that the commission will consist of the members of the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment and the Senate Committee on Natural Resources, or the successors to those committees which have jurisdiction over wildlife and fisheries.

Specifies submission of the amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held on November 2, 2010.

Effective on January 1, 2011, if approved by voters.

(Amends Const. Art. IX, Sec. 7(A))