

Regular Session, 2012

SENATE BILL NO. 288

BY SENATOR ALLAIN

AGRICULTURE/FOREST COMR. Authorizes the commissioner of agriculture to employ an executive counsel and assistants. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 3:14, relative to the authority of the commissioner of agriculture; to authorize
3 the commissioner to employ an executive counsel and assistants; to provide relative
4 to qualifications; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 3:14 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 **§14. Executive counsel and assistants; qualifications**

8 **The commissioner of the Department of Agriculture and Forestry may**
9 **employ an executive counsel and such assistants as he finds necessary. The**
10 **executive counsel and any assistants shall be duly qualified and admitted to**
11 **practice law in Louisiana. The commissioner may fix the compensation of each.**

12 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
13 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
14 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
15 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
16 effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Curry Johnson.

DIGEST

Proposed law authorizes the commissioner of the Department of Agriculture and Forestry to employ an executive counsel and such assistants as he finds necessary and fix the compensation of each.

Proposed law requires that the executive counsel and assistants be duly qualified and admitted to practice law in Louisiana.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 3:14)