2017 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 410

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON

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

INDIGENT DEFENSE: Provides relative to the quorum necessary for the Public Defender Board to transact business

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 15:151(A), relative to the Louisiana Public Defender Board; to
3	provide relative to the quorum of the board; to change the quorum of voting
4	members necessary for transacting business; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 15:151(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
7	§151. Quorum; compensation; officers; records
8	A. Eight <u>A majority of the</u> voting members shall constitute a quorum for
9	transacting business. A vote of a majority of the membership of the board shall be
10	required to take action on any issue.
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DIGEST

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Abstract: Reduces the quorum of voting members necessary for the La. Public Defender Board to transact business.

<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 15:146) creates the La. Public Defender Board of 11 members as a state agency within the office of the governor to provide for the supervision, administration, and delivery of a statewide public defender system. <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>.

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<u>Present law</u> requires a quorum of eight voting members in order for the board to transact business.

<u>Proposed law</u> reduces the quorum necessary for the board <u>from</u> eight voting members to a majority of the voting members.

(Amends R.S. 15:151(A))