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HOUSE BILL NO. 881

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BY REPRESENTATIVE BEAULLIEU

CULTURE/FRENCH: Provides relative to the membership of the Council for the Development of French in Louisiana

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 25:652(A), relative to the Council for the Development of
3	French in Louisiana; to provide relative to the membership of the council; and to
4	provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 25:652(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
7	§652. Membership; appointment; terms; vacancies; compensation
8	A. The council shall be composed of twenty-three members as follows:
9	(1) Two members appointed by the governor.
0	(2) Three members appointed by the Louisiana section of the Assemblée des
1	Parlementaires Francophones Two members appointed by the lieutenant governor.
12	(3) Two members One member appointed by the council's Consortium of
13	Louisiana Colleges and Universities.
4	(4) One member appointed by the Le Centre International de Lafayette.
15	(5) One member appointed by the Louisiana Cultural Economy
16	FoundationLouisiana Parents for French Immersion.
17	(6) The mayor of New Orleans, or his designee.
18	(7) One member appointed by the French-American Chamber of Commerce,
9	Louisiana Chapter.

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CODING: Words in struck through type are deletions from existing law; words <u>underscored</u> are additions.

1	(8) One member appointed by the Louisiana Educational Television
2	Authority Louisiana Public Broadcasting.
3	(9) One member appointed by La Fondation Louisiane.
4	(10) Four members appointed by the Louisiana Consortium of Immersion
5	Schools. The appointment of the members shall be made as follows: two members
6	shall be appointed from immersion schools east of the Atchafalaya River, and two
7	members shall be appointed from immersion schools west of the Atchafalaya River.
8	(11) One member appointed by the American Association of Teachers of
9	French, Louisiana Chapter.
10	(12) One member appointed by the United Houma Nation.
11	(13) One member appointed by the Association Louisiane-Acadie.
12	(14) One member appointed by the Louisiana State Bar Association,
13	Francophone Section.
14	(15) One member appointed by the African-American Museum of
15	St. Martinville.
16	(16) One member appointed by CREOLE, Inc.
17	(17) One member appointed by the legislative Acadiana Delegation.
18	(18) One member appointed by the president of the University of Louisiana
19	at Lafayette, McNeese State University, or Nicholls State University. The
20	appointment of the member pursuant to this Paragraph shall be made as follows: the
21	president of the University of Louisiana at Lafayette shall appoint the member whose
22	term begins in 2024, the president of McNeese State University shall appoint the
23	member whose term begins in 2028, and the president of Nicholls State University
24	shall appoint the member whose term begins in 2032. The university presidents shall
25	rotate appointing a member in this manner for subsequent terms.
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## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Changes the membership of the Council for the Development of French in La. (CODOFIL).

<u>Present law</u> provides for the membership of the Council for the Development of French in La. (CODOFIL), consisting of 23 members. <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u>.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for the reconstitution of the council by making the following changes in the membership:

- (1) Replaces three members appointed by the La. section of the Assemblée des Parlementaires Francophones with the following:
  - (a) Two members appointed by the lieutenant governor.
  - (b) One member appointed by the Acadiana Delegation.
- (2) Replaces one member appointed by the La. Cultural Economy Foundation with one member appointed by La. Parents for French Immersion.
- (3) Replaces one member appointed by the La. Educational Television Authority with one member appointed by La. Public Broadcasting.
- (4) Replaces two members appointed by the council's Consortium of La. Colleges and Universities with the following:
  - (a) One member appointed by the council's Consortium of La. Colleges and Universities.
  - (b) One member appointed on a rotating basis by the presidents of the University of La. at Lafayette, McNeese State University, and Nicholls State University.

<u>Present law</u> provides for four members appointed by the La. Consortium for Immersion Schools. <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and requires the appointment of two members from immersion schools east of the Atchafalaya River and two members from immersion schools west of the Atchafalaya River.

(Amends R.S. 25:652(A))