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HOUSE BILL NO. 517

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BY REPRESENTATIVE LEBAS

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

EDUCATION: Relative to the Council for the Development of French in La. (CODOFIL), provides for per diem and expenses of members and authorizes French-speaking elected officials to serve as nonvoting council members

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 25:652(E) and to enact R.S. 25:652(F), relative to the Council
3	for the Development of French in Louisiana; to provide relative to compensation of
4	council members; to authorize members to receive a per diem and certain expense
5	reimbursements; to provide for membership; to authorize certain elected officials to
6	serve as nonvoting council members; and to provide for related matters.
7	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
8	Section 1. R.S. 25:652(E) is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 25:652(F) is
9	hereby enacted to read as follows:
0	§652. Membership; appointment; terms; vacancies; compensation
1	* * *
12	E. Members of the council shall serve without compensation receive no
13	salary for their services as members, but may be paid a per diem of fifty dollars for
14	attending meetings of the council and may be reimbursed for actual travel expenses
15	in accordance with travel regulations of the division of administration.
16	F. Any French-speaking elected official in Louisiana may serve on the
17	council as a nonvoting member. Such nonvoting members may be subject to the
18	same provisions regarding compensation in accordance with Subsection E of this
19	Section as provided for members appointed pursuant to Subsection A of this Section.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Relative to the Council for the Development of French in La. (CODOFIL), authorizes per diem and certain expense reimbursements for council members and authorizes French-speaking elected officials to serve as nonvoting council members.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the membership of the Council for the Development of French in La. (CODOFIL), consisting of 23 members, who serve without compensation.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for members to receive no salary for their services as members, but authorizes a per diem of \$50 for attending meetings of the council and actual travel expenses in accordance with travel regulations of the division of administration.

<u>Proposed law</u> additionally allows any French-speaking elected official in La. to serve on the council as a nonvoting member. Provides that a nonvoting member may be subject to the same provisions regarding compensation as appointed members.

(Amends R.S. 25:652(E); Adds R.S. 25:652(F))