

Regular Session, 2012

SENATE BILL NO. 570

BY SENATOR WALSWORTH

PUBLIC DEFENDER. Provides requirements for the membership of the Louisiana Public Defender Board. (8/1/12)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 15:146(A)(5), relative to the Louisiana Public Defender Board; to provide
3 requirements for the membership of the board; to provide for transition; and to
4 provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 15:146(A)(5) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §146. Louisiana Public Defender Board

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10 **(5) At least two members of the board shall be appointed from each**
11 **congressional district as those districts are provided for in R.S. 18:1276.1.**

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13 Section 2. Appointments shall be made to bring the Louisiana Public Defender Board
14 into compliance with this Act as vacancies occur, whether by expiration of current terms of
15 office, resignation, or other events or occurrences.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Dawn Romero Watson.

DIGEST

Present law creates the Louisiana Public Defender Board. The board has 15 members, plus two ex officio, nonvoting members.

Proposed law requires that at least two members of the board shall be appointed from each of the six congressional districts as those districts will be configured on and after January 3, 2013.

Provides that appointments shall be made to bring the board into compliance with proposed law as vacancies occur, whether by expiration of current terms, resignation, or other events or occurrences.

Effective August 1, 2012.

(Adds R.S. 15:146(A)(5))