

§323. Composition of commission

A. The commission shall be composed of twenty-two members. Eighteen members shall be voting members as designated in Subsection B of this Section, and four members shall be nonvoting members as designated in Subsection D of this Section.

B.(1) Five voting members of the commission shall be as follows:

(a) A member of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives.

(b) The chairman of the House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

(c) One member of the Senate appointed by the president of the Senate.

~~(d)~~ The chairman of the Senate Committee on Judiciary, Section C.

(e) One justice of the Supreme Court of Louisiana appointed by the chief justice.

(2) Thirteen voting members shall be appointed by the governor as follows:

(a) One district attorney, or his designee and the president of the Louisiana District Attorneys Association, or his designee.

~~(b)~~ The state public defender or his designee and one attorney specializing primarily in the defense of persons charged with criminal offenses.

(c) One sheriff or his designee and the president of the Louisiana Sheriff's Association, or his designee.

(d) One judge of a court of appeal.

(e) Three district court judges having criminal justice experience, at least one of whom must be active.

(f) One member selected from a list of three nominees submitted by the Louisiana Chamber of Commerce.

(g) The president of the Louisiana Clerks of Court Association or his designee.

(h) One Louisiana citizen who is not an attorney, who is not formally associated with the criminal justice system, and who is a felony crime victim or a member of the immediate family of a felony crime victim, from a list of three names submitted by Victims and Citizens Against Crime, Inc.

C. Except as provided in R.S. 15:323(B)(1), voting members shall serve for a term concurrent with that of the governor.

~~D.~~ A representative of the Louisiana State Law Institute as designated by its president, a representative of the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice as designated by its chairman, the secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, or his designee, and one professional having a doctorate degree in a social science or criminal justice field appointed by the governor shall serve as the four nonvoting members of the commission.

E. Each appointment by the governor shall be subject to Senate confirmation.

F. Legislative members of the commission shall receive the same per diem and reimbursement of travel expense as is provided for legislative committees under the rules of the respective house. Nonlegislative commission members shall serve without compensation or per diem.

G. Each voting member shall be entitled to appoint a single individual to serve as proxy for the duration of his term if the member is unable to attend a meeting of the commission. The term of the designated proxy shall be the same as the voting member. A member appointing an individual to serve as his designated proxy shall make his appointment known to the chairman and to the secretary of the commission.

Acts 1987, No. 158, §1; Acts 1988, No. 783, §1, eff. July 18, 1988; Acts 1995, No. 548, §1; Acts 2008, No. 916, §1; Acts 2010, No. 856, §1.

NOTE: See Acts 1988, No. 783, §2.