

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 219 (HB 332)

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Existing law provides for the La. Crawfish Promotion and Research Board to be composed of 13 members appointed by the commissioner of agriculture and forestry as follows: (1) One member engaged in crawfish farming east of the Atchafalaya River appointed from a list of three persons nominated by the La. Crawfish Farmers Association, (2) One member who is engaged in crawfish farming west of the Atchafalaya River and south of U.S. Highway 190 appointed from a list of three persons nominated by the La. Crawfish Farmers Association, (3) One member who is engaged in crawfish farming north of U.S. Highway 190 appointed from a list of three persons nominated by the La. Crawfish Farmers Association, (4) Four members engaged in harvesting wild crawfish, (5) One member who is engaged in crawfish farming or crawfish harvesting appointed from a list of three persons nominated by the La. Farm Bureau Federation, (6) One member who is an owner or operator of a facility which produces artificial crawfish bait, (7) One member who is an owner or operator of a facility which processes crawfish, (8) One member appointed from a list of three persons nominated by the La. Restaurant Association, (9) One member who owns or operates a retail crawfish-seafood facility, appointed from the state at large, and (10) One member who is a landowner engaged in commercial crawfish leasing appointed from a list of three persons nominated by the La. Landowners Association.

New law modifies existing law by reducing the size of the board from 13 members to 11 members.

New law further modifies existing law by requiring the commissioner to appoint a member from the state-at-large if no member north of U.S. Highway 190 is available.

New law also reduces the numbers of appointed members who engage in harvesting wild crawfish from four members to three members, and repeals the one member who is a landowner engaged in commercial crawfish leasing.

Effective August 1, 2016.

(Amends R.S. 3:556.3(B)(intro. para.), (3), and (4); Repeals R.S. 3:556.3(B)(10))