Regular Session, 2010

ACT No. 469

HOUSE BILL NO. 418

BY REPRESENTATIVE GARY SMITH

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 15:574.2(A), relative to the Board of Parole; to provide relative
3	to the membership of the board; to provide for an ex officio, nonvoting member; and
4	to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 15:574.2(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
7	§574.2. Board of Parole; membership; qualifications; vacancies; compensation;
8	domicile; venue; meetings; quorum; panels; powers and duties; transfer of
9	property to board; representation of applicants before the board; prohibitions
10	A.(1) A board of parole, hereinafter referred to as "the board", is hereby
11	created in the Department of Public Safety and Corrections. The board shall consist
12	of seven members who shall be appointed by the governor and one ex officio
13	member. It shall consist of Of the seven members appointed by the governor, one
14	of whom shall be the chairman of the board, and all of whom shall serve at the
15	pleasure of the governor. One of the seven members shall be appointed from a list
16	of at least three names submitted by Victims and Citizens Against Crime, Inc. Each
17	appointment by the governor shall be submitted to the Senate for confirmation.
18	(2) Each member, except for the ex officio member, shall devote full time
19	to the duties of his office and shall not engage in any other business or profession or
20	hold any other public office.
21	(3) The chairman of the board shall receive an annual salary not to exceed
22	fifty thousand dollars, the vice chairman shall receive an annual salary not to exceed
23	forty-seven thousand dollars, and each of the other members of the board, except for
24	the ex officio member, shall receive an annual salary not to exceed forty-four

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thousand dollars payable on his own warrant, and shall be reimbursed for necessary travel and other expenses actually incurred in the discharge of his duties. The actual salaries, subject to the limits provided for in this Paragraph, shall be authorized by executive order of the governor.

(4) The warden, or in his absence the deputy warden, of the correctional facility in which the offender is incarcerated shall be an ex officio member of the board. When the offender is housed in a local correctional facility and the warden, or deputy warden, of that facility is not able to attend the offender's parole hearing, the warden, or in his absence the deputy warden, of the facility where the offender's parole hearing is held may serve as an ex officio member. The ex officio member shall not be a voting member nor shall he be counted or permitted to be counted for purposes of the number of members necessary to take board action or the number of members necessary to establish quorum. In all other respects, the ex officio member shall have all the duties, authority, requirements, and benefits of any other board member.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE
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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: