

Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE BILL NO. 426

BY REPRESENTATIVE ARMES

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

WILDLIFE & FISHERIES CMN: (Constitutional Amendment) Adds members to the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

1 A JOINT RESOLUTION

2 Proposing to amend Article IX, Section 7(A) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to provide
3 relative to the membership of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission; to
4 provide relative to members of such commission; to provide for submission of the
5 proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

6 Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members
7 elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state of
8 Louisiana, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to
9 amend Article IX, Section 7(A) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

10 §7. Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

11 Section 7.(A) Members; Terms. The control and supervision of the wildlife
12 of the state, including all aquatic life, is vested in the Louisiana Wildlife and
13 Fisheries Commission. The commission shall be in the executive branch and shall
14 consist of seven members appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by the
15 Senate. Six members shall serve overlapping terms of ~~six~~ nine years, and one
16 member shall serve a term concurrent with that of the governor. Three members
17 shall be electors of the coastal parishes and representatives of the commercial fishing
18 and fur industries, two members shall be electors appointed at large from the
19 parishes located north of a line created by the northern boundary of the parishes of
20 Beauregard, Allen, Evangeline, Avoyelles, and Pointe Coupee, and ~~four~~ two

CODING: Words in ~~struck through~~ type are deletions from existing law; words underscored are additions.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment to the original bill.

1. Removed the additional members.
2. Removed provisions that increase the term of office.
3. Provided that two of the at-large members must be appointed from north of a line created by the northern boundary of the parishes of Beauregard, Allen, Evangeline, Avoyelles, and Pointe Coupee.