2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 460

BY REPRESENTATIVE LEOPOLD

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

TAX COMMISSION, STATE: Provides relative to qualifications of members appointed to serve on the La. Tax Commission

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1833, relative to the Louisiana Tax Commission, to provide
3	for the qualifications of members appointed to serve; to require certain certifications;
4	and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 47:1833 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
7	§1833. Members; oath; bond; qualifications
8	\underline{A} . Each member shall take the oath of office and furnish a solvent bond, for
9	the faithful performance of his duties, according to law, in the sum of ten thousand
10	dollars, to be paid for by the tax commission, within thirty days after his
11	appointment.
12	B. A person appointed as a member of the tax commission shall be licensed
13	in Louisiana as a Certified General Appraiser or as a Certified Residential Appraiser
14	through the Louisiana State Appraisers Board or shall be certified through the
15	International Association of Assessing Officers. No person appointed as a member
16	of the tax commission shall be under any employment, outside of his duties as a
17	member of the tax commission, for which he shall draw any remuneration, unless he
18	shall first have disclosed to the other members of the commission and caused to be
19	recorded in the minutes and records of the commission the fact of such employment,
20	stating its nature but not the amount of compensation therefor; and he shall indicate

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1 in the records of the tax commission from what class of property or investment he may derive income, but not the amount thereof. 2 3 <u>C.</u> No employee of the tax commission shall have other employment or draw 4 or take any salary, wage, commission, gift, gratuity, or emolument, for any accommodation or service rendered to another than the tax commission, unless the 5 6 nature of such accommodation, service, or employment and the remuneration 7 therefor shall be first known and approved by the tax commission. 8 D. The Any violation of this provision Section shall be a misdemeanor 9 punishable by a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or imprisonment in jail not 10 exceeding thirty days; such violation known to the tax commission, or any member 11 thereof, shall without discretion, be reported to the proper prosecuting officer; the 12 failure so to do shall be deemed a neglect of duty. The provisions of this section Section shall be read by the tax commission in session to each and every employee. 13 14 Each member shall devote his entire time to the duties of his office, and shall engage 15 in no occupation or business interfering, or inconsistent, with his duties.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires members appointed to the La. Tax Commission to be licened as a Certified General Appraiser or a Certified Residential Appraiser or certified through the International Association of Assessing Officers.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the qualifications of members and employees of the La. Tax Commission.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> but requires members appointed to the La. Tax Commission to be licensed in La. as a Certified General Appraiser or as a Certified Residential Appraiser through the La. State Appraisers Board or to be certified through the International Association of Assessing Officers.

(Amends R.S. 47:1833)