

Regular Session, 2011

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 156

BY SENATOR JACKSON

SENATE. Requires certain appointees to provide disclosure statements to the Senate and Governmental Affairs Committee before being considered for confirmation.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To amend and readopt Senate Rule Nos. 16.1(A) and 16.3(A) of the Rules of Order of the  
3 Senate; relative to Senate confirmation procedures; to require certain appointees to  
4 provide disclosure statements to the Senate and Governmental Affairs Committee  
5 before being considered for confirmation and to provide for the manner in which the  
6 listing of appointees is distributed to the members of the Senate.

7 BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate of the Legislature of Louisiana amends and  
8 readopts Senate Rule Nos. 16.1(A) and 16.3(A) of the Rules of Order of the Senate to read  
9 as follows:

10 Rule 16.1. Committee referral of appointments submitted for confirmation

11 A. All appointments sent to the Senate for confirmation shall be referred to  
12 the Senate and Governmental Affairs Committee. Neither the Senate nor the Senate  
13 and Governmental Affairs Committee shall consider for confirmation any  
14 appointment unless the following information concerning the appointee has been  
15 submitted:

16 (1) Full name.

17 (2) Home address.

- 1 (3) Home and business telephone number.
- 2 (4) Social security number.
- 3 (5) Driver's license number, or a sworn statement from the appointee that he
- 4 holds no driver's license.
- 5 (6) The name of the person or persons who recommended the nominee to the
- 6 governor or appointing authority for appointment to the position.

7 **(7) A copy of the nominee's financial disclosure or contract disclosure**  
 8 **statement, if the nominee is required to submit a financial disclosure statement**  
 9 **pursuant to R.S. 42:1114, 1124, 1124.2, 1124.2.1 or 1124.3, or a contract**  
 10 **disclosure statement pursuant to R.S. 42:1113(D)(4).**

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12 Rule 16.3. Appointees and officers; appearances before Senate and Governmental  
13 Affairs Committee; appearances before standing committees

14 A. Upon receipt of appointments for Senate confirmation, the chairman of the  
 15 Senate and Governmental Affairs Committee shall cause a listing to be compiled of  
 16 all of the appointments received, by office. On the fifteenth calendar day of the  
 17 session the chairman shall distribute a copy of the compiled listing to each senator  
 18 and thereafter the listing shall be updated and distributed ~~weekly~~ to the members  
 19 **prior to the vote to confirm the appointments.**

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part  
of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Yolanda J. Dixon.

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DIGEST

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SR No. 156

Present Senate Rule provides that all appointments sent to the Senate for confirmation shall be referred to the Senate and Governmental Affairs Committee. Prohibits the Senate or the Senate and Governmental Affairs Committee from considering any appointment unless the following information about the appointee has been submitted:

- (1) Full name.
- (2) Home address.
- (3) Home and business telephone number.

- (4) Social security number.
- (5) Driver's license number, or a sworn statement from the appointee that he holds no driver's license.
- (6) The name of the person or persons who recommended the nominee to the governor or appointing authority for appointment to the position.

Proposed Senate Rule retains present rule and additionally requires a copy of the nominee's financial disclosure or contract disclosure statement, if the nominee is required to submit a financial disclosure statement pursuant to R.S. 42:1114, 1124, 1124.2, 1124.2.1 or 1124.3, or a contract disclosure statement pursuant to R.S. 42:1113(D)(4).

Present Senate Rule requires distribution of the listing of appointments, by office on the 15th calendar day of the session and weekly thereafter.

Proposed Senate Rule retains the initial distribution requirement but provides that the listing be distributed prior to the vote to confirm the appointments.

(Amends Senate Rule Nos. 16.1(A) and 16.3(A))