

Regular Session, 2008

HOUSE BILL NO. 500

BY REPRESENTATIVE ARNOLD

PILOTS: Provides for changes to the composition of the Pilotage Fee Commission

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 34:1121(B)(introductory paragraph) and (3) and (9), relative to
3 the composition of the Pilotage Fee Commission; to add an alternate at-large
4 member to the commission; to provide for the level of participation of the alternate;
5 and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 34:1121(B)(introductory paragraph) and (3) and (9) are hereby
8 amended and reenacted to read as follows:

9 §1121. Pilotage Fee Commission; composition

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11 B. The commission shall be composed of eleven members and ~~eight~~ nine
12 alternates. The governor shall appoint the members as follows:

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14 (3) Three at-large members and one at-large alternate thereof. Those
15 members shall sign and maintain a statement of neutrality and shall not be a family
16 member of nor have a financial, business, or pecuniary relationship with a member
17 or with any entity represented on the commission or on the Board of Louisiana River
18 Pilot Review and Oversight. No at-large member shall have any ex parte
19 communication with any member of any pilot association or with any member of the
20 nominating industry groups or any other person or entity that has an interest in any
21 issue pending before the commission except for educational purposes and during

1 such educational time both the pilot association members and the industry members
2 shall be afforded an opportunity to attend, provided that at no time a quorum is
3 present. The level of participation of the at-large alternate shall be governed by rules
4 or regulations adopted and promulgated by the Pilotage Fee Commission in
5 accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.

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7 (9) The three at-large members of the commission and the at-large alternate
8 member shall each receive one hundred fifty dollars per diem while executing their
9 duty as a commission member. Additionally, such members shall be entitled to
10 reasonable expenses as approved by the chairman.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for changes to the composition of the Pilotage Fee Commission.

Present law provides that the commission shall be composed of 11 members and eight alternates.

Proposed law retains present law but changes the number of alternates from eight to nine.

Present law establishes three at-large members of the Pilotage Fee Commission appointed by the governor and specifies their responsibilities and duties. Also, sets a per diem amount of \$150 for the three at-large members when executing their duties as commission members.

Proposed law retains present law but adds one alternate at-large member appointed by the governor. Specifies that the three at-large members and one alternate at-large member must each receive \$150 per diem while executing their duties as commission members.

Proposed law provides that the level of participation of the alternate added by proposed law shall be governed by a rule or regulation adopted by the commission.

(Amends R.S. 34:1121(B)(intro. para.) and (3) and (9))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Commerce to the original bill.

1. Makes technical changes.