



# **Louisiana Office of Lt. Governor Statutory Duties**

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## **Summary**

The Louisiana lieutenant governor has twenty-nine (29) statutory duties. These include leading the department of culture, recreation and tourism, serving as a member of the state board of elections supervisors, and jointly developing the state's plan to retain persons aged 50 or older, in addition to dozens of powers related to tourism and economic development and opportunity.

## **Citations**

Statutory duties of the Lieutenant Governor as prescribed by the Louisiana Revised Statutes Annotated (LRSAs):

1. Directs the Department of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism. (LRSAs 36:203)
2. Appoints the assistant secretary of each office in culture, recreation, and tourism (except the state library). (LRSAs 36:207)
3. Appoints the members of the Board of Directors of the State Museum. (LRSAs 25:341- D)
4. Serves as a member of and makes appointments to the Louisiana Tourism Development Commission. (LRSAs 51:1256).
5. Serves as a member of and may serve as or designate the Chair of the Encore Louisiana Commission, and shall hire its director. (LRSAs 51:1318)
6. The Encore Louisiana Commission shall formulate jointly with the office of lieutenant governor a strategic plan to attract and retain persons fifty years old and above in the state. (LRSAs 51:1319)
7. In collaboration with the governor, makes appointments to the Volunteer Louisiana Commission. (LRSAs 49:1112)
8. Shall provide staff and administrative support to and s/he or his/her designee serves as a member of the Louisiana Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys. (LRSAs 49:1212)
9. Appoints 13 members of the Louisiana Seafood Promotion and Marketing Board. (LRSAs 56:578.2)
10. Appoints one member for the school board for the Louis Armstrong High School for the Arts. (LRSAs 17:1970.4)
11. Serves as a member of the State Board of Election Supervisors. (LRSAs 18:23)
12. Serves as a member of or designates a member of the Louisiana Civil Rights Museum Advisory Board. (LRSAs RS 25:845)
13. Serves as a member of the State Bond Commission. (LRSAs 39:1401)
14. Serves as (or designates a member), ex-officio, to the Department of Economic Development; Board of Commerce and Industry. (LRSAs 51:923)
15. Appoints the members of the board of the Louisiana Promotion Tourism District. (LRSAs 51:1284)
16. Appoints the State Museum Director. (LRSAs 25:343)
17. Serves as or designates a member of the Louisiana Byways Commission. (LRSAs 56:1948.12)
18. Appoints one member to the St. Bernard Parish Arts, Culture, and Entertainment District. (LRSAs 25:850.1)

19. Appoints three members to the Louisiana State Arts Council. (LRSA 25:891)
20. Serves as or designates a member of the Louisiana Military Family Assistance Board. (LRSA 46:123)
21. Serves as or designates a member to the Louisiana Tourism Development Commission. (LRSA 51:1256)
22. No later than 60-days from the date s/he takes office, the lieutenant governor shall appoint 17 members to the Louisiana Tourism Development Commission. (LRSA 51:1256)
23. Serves as or designates a member to serve on the Louisiana Tax Free Shopping Commission (LRSA RS 51:1304)
24. Appoints a senator to serve on the Louisiana Nuclear and Space Authority. (LRSA 51:1351)
25. Appoints the board of commissioners of the State Library of Louisiana. (LRSA 25:2)
26. May call additional meetings of the State Museum board. (LRSA 25:342)
27. Appoints one member of the Leeville Fishing Village and Cultural Preservation Commission. (LRSA RS 25:1322)
28. May designate one non-voting member of the Lake Fausse Point, Lake Dauterive, and Grand Avoille Cove Advisory Board. (LRSA 56:796)
29. Through the office of culture, recreation, and tourism, determines the means and ability (or not) to implement and administer the "Rails to Trails" program. (LRSA 56:1781)

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