

Regular Session, 2010

SENATE BILL NO. 596

BY SENATOR BROOME

LEGIS POWERS/FUNCTIONS. Establishes and provides for a majority leader and a minority leader in each house of the legislature. (gov sig)

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 24:508 and 509, relative to positions held by members in the legislature; to  
3 establish the positions of majority leader and minority leader in each house of the  
4 Louisiana Legislature; to provide for the designation of majority leader and minority  
5 leader; to provide relative to the powers, duties, and functions of majority leader and  
6 minority leader; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 24:508 and 509 are hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 **§508. Majority leader in each house of the legislature**

10 **There is established the position of majority leader in each house of the**  
11 **legislature. The position shall be filled by a member of the respective house who**  
12 **is a member of the political party of a majority of the members of that house.**  
13 **The majority leader shall have powers, duties, and functions as provided for in**  
14 **the joint rules of procedure of the legislature and in the rules of procedure of**  
15 **the house of the majority leader.**

16 **§509. Minority leader in each house of the legislature**

17 **There is established the position of minority leader in each house of the**

1           **legislature. The position shall be filled by a member of the respective house who**  
2           **is a member of the political party of a minority of the members of that house.**  
3           **The minority leader shall have powers, duties, and functions as provided for in**  
4           **the joint rules of procedure of the legislature and in the rules of procedure of**  
5           **the house of the majority leader.**

6           Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
7           signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
8           by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
9           vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
10          effective on the day following such approval.

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

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#### DIGEST

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Establishes the position of minority leader in each house of the legislature. The position shall be filled by a member of the respective house who is a member of the political party of a minority of the members of that house. The minority leader shall have powers, duties, and functions as provided for in the joint rules of procedure of the legislature and in the rules of procedure of the house of the majority leader.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 24:508 and 509)