

STATE OF LOUISIANA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
BATON ROUGE

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. EWE 92 - 7

WHEREAS, a portion of the population of our State is subject to potential harassment and discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation; and

WHEREAS, the result of this potential harassment and discrimination is the denial to some Louisianians of rights, privileges or benefits solely on the basis of personal matters; and

WHEREAS, it is inappropriate for government either to encourage or discourage, to condone or condemn in the area of sexual orientation;

NOW THEREFORE I, EDWIN W. EDWARDS, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby order:

SECTION 1: No state agency or department shall discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation against any individual in the provision of any services or benefits by such state agency or department.

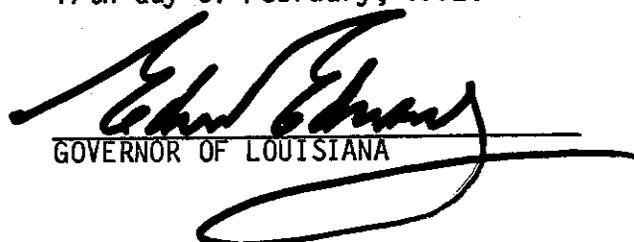
SECTION 2: No state agency or department shall discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation against any individual in any matter pertaining to employment by the state, including, but not limited to, hiring, promotion, tenure, recruitment and compensation.

SECTION 3: All contracts for the purchase of services by any state agency or department shall be awarded without discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation of the persons seeking such contracts. Further, all such contracts shall include a provision that the contractor shall not discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation in any matter relating to employment.

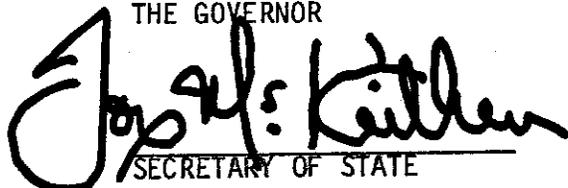
SECTION 4: This Order shall take effect immediate upon promulgation.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 17th day of February, 1992.


GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR


SECRETARY OF STATE