

**STATE OF LOUISIANA**  
**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT**  
**BATON ROUGE, LA**  
**EXECUTIVE ORDER 94 - 3**

**WHEREAS:** the people of Louisiana with disabilities have a special need for rehabilitative services and support, and

**WHEREAS:** the State of Louisiana has a responsibility to provide the support and rehabilitative services required by citizens with special needs, and

**WHEREAS:** the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 directs the state to establish a State Rehabilitative Advisory Council to administer the State Plan under which vocational rehabilitative services are provided, and

**WHEREAS:** the State of Louisiana would best serve the vocational rehabilitative needs of its disabled citizens through the coordinated efforts of a State Rehabilitation Advisory Council, and

**NOW THEREFORE I, EDWIN W. EDWARDS, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby create and establish the Governor's State Rehabilitation Advisory Council within the Executive Department, Office of the Governor, and do hereby order and direct as follows:**

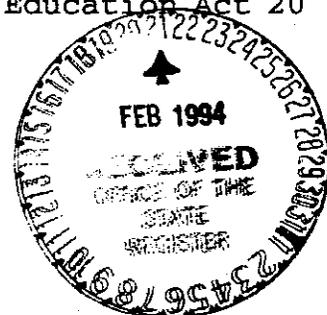
**SECTION 1:** The duties and functions of the Governor's State Rehabilitation Advisory Council shall be to formulate a state plan according to the mandates of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; and to monitor, review, and evaluate the implementation of the State Plan.

**SECTION 2:** The State Rehabilitation Advisory Council shall coordinate activities with the State Independent Living Council established Section 705 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 705 as amended.

**SECTION 3:** The members of the State Rehabilitation Advisory Council be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor and shall receive no compensation for their services except necessary expenses incurred to attend council meetings as outlined in State or Federal regulations.

**SECTION 4:** The Council shall include:

- (A) One representative of the Statewide Independent Living Council established under Section 705 which representative may be the chairperson or other designee of the Council;
- (B) At least one representative of a parent training and information center established pursuant to Section 631 (c)(9) of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act 20 U.S.C. 1431(c)(9);



- (C) At least one representative of the Client Assistance Program established under Section 112;
- (D) At least one vocational rehabilitation counselor, with knowledge of and experience with vocational rehabilitation programs, who shall serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the Council if the counselor is an employee of the designated State agency;
- (E) At least one representative of community rehabilitation program service providers;
- (F) Four representatives of business, industry, and labor;
- (G) Representative of disability advocacy groups representing a cross section of -
  - (i) individuals with physical, cognitive, sensory, and mental disabilities; and
  - (ii) parents, family members, guardians, advocates, or authorized representatives of individuals with disabilities to represent themselves or are unable to due to their disabilities to represent themselves; and
- (H) Current or former applicants for, or recipients of, vocational rehabilitation services;
- (I) The Director of the Designated State unit shall be an Ex Officio member of the Council.

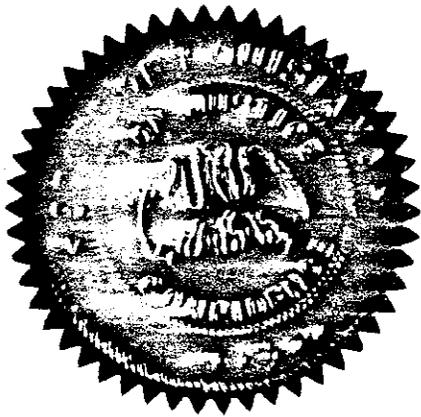
**SECTION 5:** The Governor shall designate a member of the Council to serve as the chairperson or shall require the Council to so designate such a member.

- SECTION 6:**
- (A) Each member of the Council shall serve a term of not more than 3 years, except that -
    - (i) A member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which a predecessor was appointed, shall be appointed for the remainder of such term; and
    - (ii) The terms of service of the members initially appointed shall be for fewer number of years as will provide for the expiration or terms on a staggered basis.
  - (B) No member of the Council may serve more than two consecutive full terms.

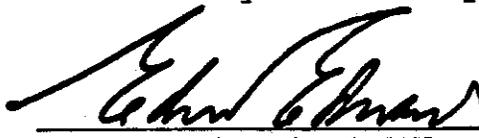
**SECTION 7:** All departments, commissions, boards, agencies, and officers of the State, or any political subdivision thereof, are authorized and directed to cooperate with the Governor's State Rehabilitation Advisory Council in implementing the provisions of this Executive Order.

**Section 8:**

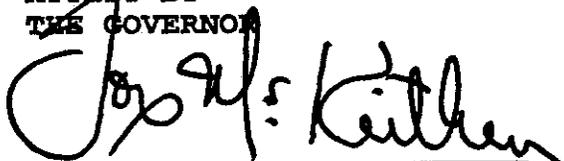
The provisions of this Executive Order are effective upon signature and shall remain in effect until amended, modified, or rescinded by operation of law.



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 1st day of February, 1994.

  
GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

ATTEST BY  
THE GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE