

HOUSE BILL No. 5415

February 21, 2012, Introduced by Rep. Foster and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, Tourism, and Outdoor Recreation.

A bill to create the Father Marquette national memorial and Mackinac straits area museum advisory board; and to prescribe the powers and duties of certain state agencies and officials.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the
2 "Father Marquette national memorial and Mackinac straits area
3 museum advisory board act".

4 Sec. 2. As used in this act:

5 (a) "Advisory board" means the Father Marquette national
6 memorial and Mackinac straits area museum advisory board created by
7 section 3.

8 (b) "Department" means the department of natural resources.

9 (c) "Museum site" means the site of the Father Marquette
10 national memorial and Mackinac straits area museum.

1 Sec. 3. (1) The Father Marquette national memorial and
2 Mackinac straits area museum advisory board is created within the
3 department.

4 (2) The advisory board shall consist of the following members:

5 (a) One member appointed by the speaker of the house of
6 representatives.

7 (b) One member appointed by the senate majority leader.

8 (c) Nine members appointed by the governor, including all of
9 the following:

10 (i) One representative from the city of St. Ignace.

11 (ii) One representative from the township of Moran.

12 (iii) One representative from the county board of commissioners
13 of the county of Mackinac.

14 (iv) One representative from the Michilimackinac historical
15 society of the county of Mackinac.

16 (v) One representative from the Sault Ste. Marie tribe of
17 Chippewa Indians.

18 (vi) Three members from the general citizenry of the state, at
19 least 1 of whom is a resident of the Upper Peninsula.

20 (vii) One representative from the Mackinac Island state park
21 commission.

22 (3) Each member of the advisory board shall be a registered
23 voter and a resident of this state.

24 (4) Not more than 6 members of the advisory board shall be of
25 the same political party.

26 (5) A member of the advisory board appointed by the speaker of
27 the house of representatives or the senate majority leader under

1 subsection (2)(a) or (b), respectively, shall hold office for a
2 term of 2 years to coincide with the term of office of state
3 representative. Except for members first appointed, the term of
4 office of each member of the advisory board appointed under
5 subsection (2)(c) shall be 4 years. Of the members of the advisory
6 board first appointed under subsection (2)(c), 3 shall serve for 4
7 years, 3 shall serve for 3 years, and 3 shall serve for 2 years.
8 Vacancies on the advisory board shall be filled in the same manner
9 as the original appointment for the remainder of the unexpired
10 term.

11 (6) A member of the advisory board shall serve without any
12 compensation. However, members of the advisory board may be
13 reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the
14 performance of their official duties as members of the advisory
15 board.

16 (7) The members of the advisory board annually shall elect a
17 chairperson, vice-chairperson, and secretary.

18 (8) The advisory board shall meet not less than twice each
19 calendar year at the call of the chairperson. A majority of the
20 members of the advisory board shall constitute a quorum for the
21 transaction of business.

22 Sec. 4. The advisory board shall do all of the following:

23 (a) Advise the department of the policies, plans, and programs
24 concerning the museum site.

25 (b) Facilitate cooperation between the department and public
26 and private entities interested in historic preservation at the
27 museum site.

1 (c) Encourage donations of real and personal property to the
2 department for purposes incidental to, or connected with, the
3 museum site, including artifacts associated with the park.

4 (d) Promote public use of the museum site.

5 (e) Advise the department and other appropriate authorities on
6 maintenance and expansion of the museum site.

7 (f) Apply for grants and seek other sources of funding to
8 support the museum site.

9 Sec. 5. The business which the advisory board may perform
10 shall be conducted at a public meeting of the advisory board held
11 in compliance with the open meetings act, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261
12 to 15.245. Public notice of the time, date, and place of the
13 meeting shall be given in the manner required by that act.

14 Sec. 6. A writing prepared, owned, used, in the possession of,
15 or retained by the advisory board in the performance of an official
16 function shall be made available to the public in compliance with
17 the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 to 15.246.