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STATE SENATOR JOHNS APPOINTED TO IMPORTANT COMMISSION TO STUDY LOUISIANA REVENUE LAWS

District 27 State Senator Ronnie Johns (R-Lake Charles) has been appointed to a 12-member commission created during the 2012 Regular Session to study Louisiana revenue laws with respect to Louisiana's tax exemptions, credits, rebates and other revenue laws.

"This commission will no doubt be the most important work of the legislature during the months leading up to the 2013 Legislative Session. I am honored that Senate President Alario and Senator Donahue have the confidence in my abilities as a Senator to bring a common sense approach to the tax structure of our state," said Sen. Johns. "I am very committed to some meaningful dialogue that hopefully will bring stability to the budget process of our state. I look forward to a lot of hard, but important work on this commission."

The commission was created in Senate Concurrent Resolution 103 by Senate Committee on Finance Chairman Jack Donahue (R-Mandeville) because of a concern about whether the state is getting the expected return on its investment in tax incentives for economic development and how those incentives impact the state's revenue base. The commission must recommend to the legislature the elimination or reduction of identified low-performing incentives in a report due February 1, 2013.

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