

1 (c) Vacancies. – A vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the original
2 appointment. Appointees to fill vacancies shall serve the remainder of the unexpired term and
3 until their successors have been duly appointed and qualified.

4 (d) Removal. – The Committee may remove any of its members for neglect of duty,
5 incompetence, or unprofessional conduct. A member subject to disciplinary proceedings shall
6 be disqualified from participating in the official business of the Committee until the charges
7 have been resolved.

8 (e) Officers. – The Commission shall elect from its membership a chair, vice-chair, and
9 other officers deemed necessary by the Commission to carry out the purposes of this Part. All
10 officers shall serve for two-year terms and shall serve until their successors are elected and
11 qualified.

12 (f) Meetings; Quorum; Termination. – The Committee shall meet at least quarterly to
13 conduct business as authorized in subsection (a) of this section. A majority of Committee
14 members shall constitute a quorum. The Committee shall terminate December 31, 2018.

15 (g) Compensation. – Members of the Committee shall not receive per diem or
16 reimbursement for travel or subsistence.

17 (h) Staff. – Administrative and staff services for the Committee shall be provided by the
18 Office of Archives and History, Department of Cultural Resources, which shall also provide the
19 Committee with information in its possession relating to past research concerning the origins
20 and early life of the pirate known as Blackbeard."

21 **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of
22 Cultural Resources the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for the 2010-2011 fiscal year to
23 support the activities of the Committee established in Section 1 of this act.

24 **SECTION 3.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2010.