

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 361

BY REPRESENTATIVE RISER

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

INSURANCE/GROUP-SHERIFFS: Provides relative to the payment of insurance premium costs by the Franklin Parish Sheriff's Office

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 13:5554(S), relative to the Franklin Parish Sheriff's Office; to  
3 provide relative to insurance premium payments for sheriff and deputy sheriff  
4 retirees; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 13:5554(S) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §5554. Group insurance; kinds; amounts; subrogation

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9 S.(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection D of this Section and  
10 Paragraphs (2) and (3) of this Subsection, one hundred percent of the premium costs  
11 of group hospital, surgical, and medical expense insurance and life insurance  
12 contracted for under the provisions of this Section shall be paid from the sheriff's  
13 general fund for any sheriff or deputy sheriff who has retired prior to December 31,  
14 2012, from the Franklin Parish Sheriff's Office and who is eligible to receive benefits  
15 from the Sheriff's Pension and Relief Fund, and who meets either one of the  
16 following conditions:

17 (a) Has attained the age of fifty-five years with twenty-four or more years  
18 of full-time service with the Franklin Parish Sheriff's Office.

19 (b) Has completed thirty years of full-time continuous service with the  
20 Franklin Parish Sheriff's Office, regardless of age.

1           (2) ~~Notwithstanding~~ In addition to Paragraph (3) of this Section, but  
2           notwithstanding the provisions of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection and Subsection  
3           D of this Section, for any sheriff or deputy sheriff who retires on or after December  
4           31, 2012, and who is eligible to receive benefits from the Sheriff's Pension and  
5           Relief Fund, the premium costs of group hospital, surgical, and medical expense  
6           insurance and life insurance shall be paid from the sheriff's general fund as follows:

7           (a) One hundred percent if the sheriff or deputy sheriff has completed thirty  
8           years of full-time creditable service and has completed a majority of his creditable  
9           service time with the Franklin Parish Sheriff's Office, regardless of age. ~~A sheriff~~  
10          ~~or deputy sheriff's creditable days of full-time service shall be determined by the~~  
11          ~~Louisiana Sheriff's Pension and Relief Fund.~~

12          (b) Seventy-five percent if the sheriff or deputy sheriff has attained the age  
13          of fifty-five years with at least twenty-seven years of full-time creditable service and  
14          has completed a majority of his creditable service time with the Franklin Parish  
15          Sheriff's Office. ~~A sheriff or deputy sheriff's creditable days of full-time service~~  
16          ~~shall be determined by the Louisiana Sheriff's Pension and Relief Fund.~~

17          (c) Fifty percent if the sheriff or deputy sheriff has attained the age of fifty-  
18          five years with at least twenty-three years of full-time creditable service and has  
19          completed a majority of his creditable service time with the Franklin Parish Sheriff's  
20          Office. ~~A sheriff or deputy sheriff's creditable days of full-time service shall be~~  
21          ~~determined by the Louisiana Sheriff's Pension and Relief Fund.~~

22          (3) In addition to Paragraph (2) of this Section, but notwithstanding the  
23          provisions of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection and Subsection D of this Section, for  
24          any sheriff or deputy sheriff who has earned a majority of his creditable service time  
25          with the Franklin Parish Sheriff's Office as required by Subparagraphs (a) through  
26          (c) of this Paragraph, who retires from any sheriff's office of this state, the Louisiana  
27          Sheriff's Association, or the Louisiana Sheriff's Pension and Relief Fund on or after  
28          January 1, 2025, and who is eligible to receive benefits from the Sheriff's Pension



- (2) 75% if the sheriff or deputy sheriff has attained the age of 55 with at least 27 years of full-time creditable service time with the Franklin Parish Sheriff's Office.
- (3) 50% if the sheriff or deputy sheriff has attained the age of 55 with at least 23 years of full-time creditable service time with the Franklin Parish Sheriff's Office.

Proposed law provides that for purposes of both present law and proposed law, a sheriff or deputy sheriff's creditable days of full-time service shall be determined by the La. Sheriff's Pension and Relief Fund.

(Amends R.S. 13:5554(S))