HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS

HB 171 2025 Regular Session

Coates

PAROLE: Provides relative to the compensation of members of the committee on parole

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Changes a provision that provides for the rate of annual compensation for members of the board and committee on parole, except for the ex officio member, from executive order of the governor to specific appropriation in the general appropriation bill.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 15:574.2) provides for the membership and duties of the committee on parole and Board of Pardons.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law (R.S. 15:574.2(A)(7)) provides for compensation as follows:

- (1) The chairman of the board shall receive an annual salary not to exceed \$50,000.
- (2) The vice chairman shall receive an annual salary not to exceed \$47,000.
- (3) The two-at-large appointees to the committee on parole and each of the other members of the board, except for the ex officio member, shall receive an annual salary not to exceed \$44,000 payable on his own warrant.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the chairman, vice chairman, two-at-large appointees, and other members of the board, except for the ex officio member, shall be reimbursed for necessary travel and other expenses actually incurred in the discharge of duties. Further provides that the actual salaries, subject to the limits provided in <u>present law</u>, shall be authorized by executive order of the governor.

<u>Proposed law</u> amends <u>present law</u> to provide that the chairman of the board, the two-at-large appointees, and each of the other members of the board, except for the ex officio member, shall receive an annual salary.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the rate of annual compensation for the members of the board and committee on parole, except for the ex officio member, shall be by specific appropriation in the general appropriation bill. Further provides that annual compensation shall be payable upon the warrant of the member and each member shall be reimbursed for necessary travel and other expenses actually incurred in the discharge of his official duties.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the actual salaries and expenses shall be paid from the general operating fund of the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections in an annual amount as authorized by the secretary.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the salary shall be structured so that the salary of the chairman is set at a rate that is 10% higher than that of a board or committee member and the salary of the vice chairman is adjusted to 5% above that of a board or committee member.

(Amends R.S. 15:574.2(A)(7))