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HOUSE BILL NO. 677

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES: Provides public defenders the option to enter the parish government's health care system

AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 33:5151(C), relative to health insurance coverage offered by parish 3 governments to their employees and officials; to provide that the district public 4 defender and his employees are entitled to participate in such insurance coverage; 5 and to provide for related matters. 6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 7 Section 1. R.S. 33:5151(C) is hereby enacted to read as follows: 8 §5151. Power to contract for group insurance; premiums 9 10 C. For purposes of this Section, a district public defender, and his 11 employees, shall be considered employees of the parish in which his office is 12 located, and they are entitled to participate in any group health insurance program, 13 including payment of premiums by the parish, that the parish offers to its employees 14 and officials.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes a district public defender and his employees to participate in group health insurance program offered by the parish.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes political subdivisions to contract with insurance companies to insure their employees and officials under policies covering hospitalization and to pay a portion of the premiums for such insurance.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that for purposes of <u>present law</u> a district public defender, and his employees, are considered employees of the parish in which his office is located, and they are entitled to participate in any group health insurance program, including payment of premiums by the parish, offered by the parish.

(Adds R.S. 33:5151(C))