

2018 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 500

BY SENATOR MILLS

CLERKS OF COURT. Provides relative to group insurance expenses for certain clerks of court. (8/1/18)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 13:783(F)(7), relative to clerks of court; to provide for the
3 payment of premium costs for retirees from certain clerk of court offices; to provide
4 for requirements; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 13:783(F)(7) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §783. Expenses of clerk's office

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9 F.(1) * * *

10 (7) In the parishes of Avoyelles, Bossier, Caddo, **Calcasieu**, Caldwell,
11 Cameron, Franklin, Grant, **Iberia, Lafayette**, LaSalle, **Orleans**, Ouachita, **Pointe**
12 **Coupee, St. Martin**, Terrebonne, Webster, **West Feliciana**, and Winn, the clerk of
13 court shall pay, from the clerk's salary fund, one hundred percent of the premium
14 costs of the group life and accidental death and dismemberment, group health,
15 accident, dental, hospital, surgical, or other medical expense insurance for any
16 employee that retires from the Avoyelles Parish clerk of court's office, Bossier Parish
17 clerk of court's office, the Caddo Parish clerk of court's office, **the Calcasieu Parish**

1 **clerk of court's office**, the Caldwell Parish clerk of court's office, the Cameron
2 Parish clerk of court's office, the Franklin Parish clerk of court's office, the Grant
3 Parish clerk of court's office, **the Iberia Parish clerk of court's office, the**
4 **Lafayette Parish clerk of court's office**, the LaSalle Parish clerk of court's office,
5 **Orleans Parish clerk of court's office**, the Ouachita Parish clerk of court's office,
6 **the Pointe Coupee Parish clerk of court's office, the St. Martin Parish clerk of**
7 **court's office**, the Terrebonne Parish clerk of court's office, the Webster Parish clerk
8 of court's office, **the West Feliciana Parish clerk of court's office**, or the Winn
9 Parish clerk of court's office who is entitled to receive monthly benefits from the
10 Louisiana Clerks' of Court Retirement and Relief Fund, who has at least twenty years
11 of full-time service with the clerk of court's office in Avoyelles Parish, Bossier
12 Parish, Caddo Parish, **Calcasieu Parish**, Caldwell Parish, Cameron Parish, Franklin
13 Parish, Grant Parish, **Iberia Parish, Lafayette Parish**, LaSalle Parish, **Orleans**
14 **Parish**, Ouachita Parish, **Pointe Coupee Parish, St. Martin Parish**, Terrebonne
15 Parish, Webster Parish, **West Feliciana Parish**, or Winn Parish, and who is at least
16 fifty-five years of age. The provisions of this Paragraph shall not apply to any other
17 insurance, such as supplemental insurance, that an employee may elect to purchase.
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The original instrument was prepared by Ashley Menou. The following digest, which does not constitute a part of the legislative instrument, was prepared by Tammy Crain-Waldrop.

	DIGEST	
SB 500 Reengrossed	2018 Regular Session	Mills

Present law provides that each of the clerks of court of the district courts is authorized to contract separately or through the insurance committee that administers the clerk's insurance fund to obtain insurance from any insurance company authorized to do business in Louisiana. Further provides that such insurance may cover the clerk of court, the clerk's employees, dependents of the clerk, and dependents of the clerk's employees.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that the clerk of court shall pay from the clerk's salary fund, 100% of the premium costs of the group life and accidental death and dismemberment, group health, accident, dental, hospital, surgical, or other medical expense insurance for any employee that retires with at least 20 years of full-time service, is at least 55 years of age, and is eligible to receive monthly benefits from the La. Clerk's of Court Retirement and Relief Fund.

Present law applies in the parishes of Avoyelles, Bossier, Caddo, Caldwell, Cameron, Franklin, Grant, LaSalle, Ouachita, Terrebonne, Webster, and Winn.

Proposed law adds Calcasieu Parish, Iberia Parish, Lafayette Parish, Orleans Parish, Pointe Coupee Parish, St. Martin Parish, and West Feliciana Parish and otherwise retains present law.

Effective August 1, 2018.

(Amends R.S. 13:783(F)(7))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary B to the original bill

1. Adds Lafayette Parish and Orleans Parish.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Adds technical amendments.
2. Adds Calcasieu Parish to the list of clerk of court's offices required to pay 100% of retiree premiums.