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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Requires the St. Landry Parish Sheriff's Office to pay certain group insurance premiums for certain retirees with years of full-time service with the St. Landry Parish Sheriff's Office.

Present law requires the St. Landry Parish Sheriff's Office to pay 100% of the premium costs of group hospital, surgical, and medical expense insurance and the first \$10,000 of life insurance from the sheriff's general fund for any sheriff or full-time deputy sheriff that has retired from the St. Landry Parish Sheriff's Office and is entitled to receive monthly benefits from the Sheriff's Pension and Relief Fund and has either of the following:

- (1) At least 12 years of full-time service with the St. Landry Parish Sheriff's Office and is at least 55 years of age.
- (2) At least 30 years of full-time service with the St. Landry Parish Sheriff's Office, regardless of age.

Proposed law retains present law relative to persons hired on or before July 1, 2019.

For persons hired after July 1, 2019, proposed law adds dental insurance premiums to the list of premiums that are required to be paid from the sheriff's general fund. Further provides that in order to receive the present and proposed law benefits, the sheriff or deputy sheriff shall retire with either of the following:

- (1) At least 15 years of continuous full-time service with the St. Landry Parish Sheriff's Office and is at least 65 years of age.
- (2) At least 30 years of continuous full-time service with the St. Landry Parish Sheriff's Office and is at least 55 years of age.

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