

2023 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 33

BY SENATORS WHITE, ABRAHAM, BOUDREAUX, HARRIS AND MILLIGAN

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

SUPPLEMENTAL PAY. Increases the amount of supplemental pay for eligible law enforcement and fire service employees. (7/1/23)

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:2591(A)(1), R.S. 40:1666.1(A)(1), (4)(a), and (6)(a), 1667.1(A)(1) and (2)(a), 1667.7(B) and (G), and 1667.9, relative to supplemental pay for firemen, police officers, law enforcement officers of certain state agencies and political subdivisions, deputy sheriffs, and full-time deputy sheriffs employed as field representatives or process servers, justices of the peace, constables, harbor police, bridge police, fireboat employees, and certain tribal officers and firemen; to provide for extra compensation for commissioned law enforcement officers employed by a public institution of higher education; to provide certain constables and marshals as provided by law; to provide for extra compensation for certain harbor police officers, fireboat operators, certain tribal officers, and bridge police officers employed by the state; to provide for extra compensation for certain tribal firemen; to provide for extra compensation for certain fire protection officers with the Plaquemines Port Harbor and Terminal District; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 13:2591(A)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

1 §2591. Amount of additional salary for justices of the peace and constables;
2 payment of expenses at the Justice of the Peace Training Course

3 A.(1) Every justice of the peace and every constable for each justice of the
4 peace court in the state shall be paid by the state an additional salary equal to the
5 amount paid justices of the peace and constables by their respective parishes, in no
6 event to exceed one hundred **twenty** dollars per month, provided funds are available
7 and appropriated by the legislature.

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9 Section 2. R.S. 40:1666.1(A)(1), (4)(a), and (6)(a), 1667.1(A)(1) and (2)(a),
10 1667.7(B) and (G), and 1667.9 are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

11 §1666.1. Extra compensation

12 A.(1) In addition to the compensation now paid by any municipality, parish,
13 fire protection district, or other political subdivision maintaining a fire department,
14 or by the Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana or the Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana,
15 hereinafter referred to as "tribe", or by any nonprofit corporation contracting with
16 any such political subdivision to provide fire protection services to every paid,
17 regularly employed employee who is paid not less than three hundred dollars per
18 month, not including supplemental pay, as distinguished from part-time employees
19 and volunteers of such fire department, who are carried on the payroll of such fire
20 department, and every employee as defined herein who is paid from funds of the
21 parish or municipality or tribe obtained through lawfully adopted bond issues,
22 lawfully assessed taxes, or other funds available for such purpose, either directly or
23 through a board or commission set up by law or ordinance of the parish or
24 municipality or tribe, shall be paid extra compensation by the state in the amount of
25 ~~five~~ **six** hundred dollars per month for each such paid employee who has completed
26 or who hereafter completes one year of service. The provisions of Paragraph (5) of
27 this Subsection shall govern the requirements for length of service for employees
28 who were ordered to active military duty in the armed services of the United States
29 during their initial term of employment.

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2 (4)(a) Every fire protection officer who is employed on a full-time basis by
 3 a port authority headquartered in the city of New Orleans shall be paid by the state
 4 extra compensation in the amount of ~~five~~ six hundred dollars per month in addition
 5 to the compensation now paid to him by his employer out of self-generated revenue
 6 attributable to the agency employing such fire protection officers. To be eligible for
 7 the extra compensation, each such fire protection officer shall have completed one
 8 year of service, and any such fire protection officer hired after March 31, 1986, shall
 9 also have completed and passed a certified fireman's training program equal to
 10 National Fire Protection Association Standard 1001 Firefighter I Certification or a
 11 firefighter's training program as approved by the office of state fire marshal Fire and
 12 Emergency Training Academy in accordance with R.S. 40:1541 et seq., or other state
 13 or federally approved maritime firefighter training program.

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15 (6)(a) Every fire protection officer who is employed on a full-time basis by
 16 the Plaquemines Port Harbor and Terminal District shall be paid by the state extra
 17 compensation in the amount of ~~five~~ six hundred dollars per month in addition to the
 18 compensation now paid to him by his employer out of self-generated revenue
 19 attributable to the agency employing the fire protection officers. To be eligible for
 20 the extra compensation, each fire protection officer shall have completed one year
 21 of service, and any fire protection officer hired after March 31, 1986, shall also have
 22 completed and passed a certified fireman's training program equal to National Fire
 23 Protection Association Standard 1001 Firefighter I Certification or a firefighter's
 24 training program as approved by the office of state fire marshal Fire and Emergency
 25 Training Academy in accordance with R.S. 40:1541 et seq., or other state or
 26 federally approved maritime firefighter training program.

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28 §1667.1. Rate of compensation; prior service; supplemental monthly compensation;

29 police to receive additional compensation

1 A.(1) In addition to the compensation now paid by any municipality included
2 in this Part or by the Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana, the Coushatta Tribe of
3 Louisiana, or the Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana, hereinafter referred to as "tribe"
4 or "tribal", to any police officer, every police officer employed by any municipality
5 or tribe which employs one or more police officers who devotes his full working
6 time to law enforcement, and for those hired after March 31, 1986, who have
7 completed and passed a council-certified training program as provided in R.S.
8 40:2405, shall be paid by the state extra compensation in the amount of ~~five~~ **six**
9 hundred dollars per month for each full-time municipal or tribal law enforcement
10 officer who has completed or who hereafter completes one year of service.

11 (2)(a) Every sworn, commissioned law enforcement officer employed on a
12 full-time basis by a bona fide police agency of the state or its political subdivisions,
13 other than the Department of Public Safety and Corrections and the Department of
14 Wildlife and Fisheries, and headquartered in the city of New Orleans, and who
15 serves the welfare of the public in the capacity of a police officer by providing police
16 services to the general public through effecting arrests, issuing citations, and serving
17 warrants while patrolling levees, waterways, and riverfront areas, or while patrolling
18 bridges that are within the boundaries of the city of New Orleans shall be paid by the
19 state extra compensation in the amount of ~~five~~ **six** hundred dollars per month in
20 addition to the compensation now paid to him by his employer out of self-generated
21 revenue attributable to the agency employing such officers. To be eligible for the
22 extra compensation, each such law enforcement officer shall have completed one
23 year of service, and any such law enforcement officer hired after March 31, 1986,
24 shall also have completed and passed a council-certified training program, as
25 provided in R.S. 40:2405.

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27 §1667.7. Extra compensation for commissioned full-time deputy sheriffs of all
28 parishes

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1 and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on the day
 2 following such approval by the legislature or July 1, 2023, whichever is later.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Tracy Sabina Sudduth.

DIGEST

SB 33 Engrossed

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Present law provides that every justice of the peace and every constable for each justice of the peace court in the state shall be paid by the state an additional salary not to exceed one hundred dollars per month.

Proposed law increases the amount of additional compensation paid by the state from \$100 to \$120 per month.

Present law provides that in addition to compensation now paid by any municipality, parish, fire protection district, or other political subdivision maintaining a fire department, or by the Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana or the Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana, or by any nonprofit corporation contracting with a political subdivision to provide fire protection services to every paid, regularly employed employee who is paid not less than three hundred dollars per month, not including supplemental pay, as distinguished from part-time employees and volunteers of the fire department, who are carried on the payroll of the fire department, and every employee who is paid from funds of the parish or municipality or tribe obtained through lawfully adopted bond issues, lawfully assessed taxes, or other funds available for the purpose, either directly or through a board or commission set up by law or ordinance of the parish or municipality or tribe, shall be paid extra compensation by the state in the amount of \$500 per month for each paid employee who has completed or who hereafter completes one year of service.

Proposed law increases the amount of additional compensation paid by the state from \$500 to \$600 per month.

Present law requires that every fire protection officer employed on a full-time basis by a port authority headquartered in the city of New Orleans, and full-time fire protection officers employed by the Plaquemines Port Harbor and Terminal District, be paid extra compensation by the state in the amount of \$500 per month in addition to the compensation now paid by his employer out of self-generated revenue attributable to the agency employing the fire protection officers. Requires each officer to have completed one year of service, and that those hired after March 31, 1986, also to have completed and passed a certified fireman's training program equal to National Fire Protection Association Standard 1001 Firefighter I Certification or a firefighter's training program as approved by the office of state fire marshal Fire and Emergency Training Academy in accordance with law, or other state or federally approved maritime firefighter training program.

Proposed law increases the amount of additional compensation paid by the state from \$500 to \$600 per month.

Present law requires that every commissioned deputy sheriff employed on a full-time basis shall be paid extra compensation by the state out of monies appropriated. Present law provides that any deputy sheriff hired after March 31, 1986, primarily to perform purely clerical or nonenforcement duties, including but not limited to typists, office machine operators, switchboard operators, filing clerks, stenoclerks, stenographers, animal shelter personnel, school crossing guards, secretaries, cooks, mechanics, and maintenance personnel, whether or not a duly commissioned deputy sheriff or POST-certified, is not deemed to be a commissioned deputy sheriff entitled to additional compensation out of state

funds.

Proposed law retains these provisions and requires the sheriff, out of funds appropriated for payment by the state of extra compensation, to pay additional compensation for full-time commissioned deputy sheriffs, and for those hired after March 31, 1986, who have completed and passed a council-approved training program and who are paid a salary of not less than three hundred fifty dollars per month, in the amount of \$500 per month for each full-time commissioned deputy sheriff at the completion of one year of service.

Proposed law increases this amount from \$500 to \$600 per month.

Present law provides that any full-time deputy sheriff employed as a field representative or process server and who is paid a salary of not less than three hundred fifty dollars per month is entitled to receive extra compensation in the amount of \$500 per month at the completion of one year of service provided the field representative or process server has completed and passed a council-approved training program as provided by law.

Proposed law increases this amount from \$500 to \$600 per month.

Present law requires that additional compensation to be paid by the state in the amount of \$500 per month to any harbor police officer, fireboat operator, and bridge police officer, every harbor police officer, fireboat employee, and bridge police officer who is a full-time employee of a political subdivision of the state; and who is paid a salary of not less than eight hundred dollars per month; and who has completed and passed a POST-certified training program as provided by law; and who has completed or who hereafter completes one year of service.

Proposed law increases this amount from \$500 to \$600 per month.

Effective July 1, 2023.

(Amends R.S. 13:2591(A)(1), R.S. 40:1666.1(A)(1), (4)(a), and (6)(a), 1667.1(A)(1) and (2)(a), 1667.7(B) and (G), and 1667.9)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to the original bill

1. Changes additional compensation increase for constables and justices of the peace from \$200 per month to \$120 per month.