

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

HB 504

2023 Regular Session

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Present law provides that any person employed in an unclassified position as defined by the State Civil Service Commission with an annual salary of \$100,000 or more shall provide proof to his public employer that he has been issued a La. driver's license and that all vehicles registered in his name are registered in La. Further provides that any person employed in an unclassified position who does not meet the requirements shall be removed and terminated.

Proposed law would have repealed present law.

(Proposed to repeal R.S. 42:31)

VETO MESSAGE:

"This bill attempted to repeal La. R.S. 42:31, which was originally enacted as Act 264 of the 2013 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature. As a member of the House of Representatives, I authored this piece of legislation, which simply requires that all state employees who receive \$100,000 or more in compensation from the State of Louisiana maintain their driver's license in Louisiana and register their vehicles in Louisiana. The citizens of Louisiana should know that those who receive lucrative state employment, who are compensated in taxpayer dollars at a rate that is more than double the median household income in this state, are held to the same rules and market conditions that our citizens are faced with every day. When I authored this legislation in 2013, I believed it to be good public policy and continue to believe so. Accordingly, House Bill 504 will not become law."