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HB 253 Reengrossed

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Abstract: Requires that certain firefighters and fire service employees be provided cancer screening examinations.

Proposed law requires that classified firefighters employed as full-time paid employees of municipal or parish fire departments or fire protection districts and fire service employees employed by nonprofit corporations under contract with fire protection districts be provided cancer screening examinations.

Proposed law requires that the cancer screenings examinations be conducted by a physician not less than three years after the start of employment and every three years thereafter during the course of employment.

Proposed law requires that the examination include, but not be limited to the following cancers:

- (1) Colon.
- (2) Lung.
- (3) Bladder.
- (4) Oral.
- (5) Thyroid.

Proposed law requires that retired firefighters and fire service employees be provided cancer screening examinations by their former employers pursuant to proposed law. Additionally requires employers and former employers to pay for the costs of cancer screening examinations.

Proposed law provides that no firefighter or fire service employee shall be required to participate in cancer screening examinations. Further provides that proposed law is not applicable to any firefighter or fire service employee who resigned or was terminated by his employer.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 33:2581.4)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Remove provisions that make proposed law applicable to certain volunteer firefighters.
2. Add provisions to make proposed law inapplicable to firefighters and fire service employees who resigned or were terminated by their employer.