

First Extraordinary Session, 2005

HOUSE BILL NO. 97

BY REPRESENTATIVE ALARIO AND SENATOR HEITMEIER

INSURANCE/GROUP-STATE: Provides for certain benefits offered through the Office of Group Benefits programs for employees who were furloughed or terminated as a result of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita (Item #20)

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 42:851(E)(1)( introductory paragraph) and to enact R.S. 42:851  
3 (D)(4), relative to Office of Group Benefits programs; to prohibit any reduction in  
4 the minimum state contribution for premium payments for certain employees  
5 affected by Hurricanes Katrina and Rita under certain circumstances; and to provide  
6 for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 42:851(E)(1)(introductory paragraph) is hereby amended and  
9 reenacted and R.S. 42:851(D)(4) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §851. Authority for employee benefit programs; payroll deduction for payment of  
11 premiums.

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15 (4) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, there shall be no  
16 reduction in the state minimum contribution as a result of any lapse in participation  
17 from August 30, 2005, through December 31, 2006, for an employee furloughed or  
18 terminated as the result of Hurricane Katrina or Rita who is subsequently rehired.

