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HB No. 97

**Abstract:** Prohibits reduction in the minimum state contribution for premium payments for certain employees affected by Hurricane Katrina or Rita who are subsequently rehired.

Present law provides for the minimum state contribution toward premiums payable by retirees.

Proposed law retains present law and prohibits any reduction in the state minimum contribution as a result of any lapse in participation from August 30, 2005, through December 31, 2006, for an employee furloughed or terminated as the result of Hurricane Katrina or Rita who is subsequently rehired.

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

(Amends R.S. 42:851(E)(1)(intro. para.); Adds R.S. 42:851(D)(4))