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Montoucet HB No. 76

Abstract: Authorizes an active member of the Firefighters' Retirement System (FRS) to remove a former spouse as a designated beneficiary of retirement benefits without the spouse's consent.

<u>Present law</u> provides that an active member or retiree of FRS may remove a former spouse as a beneficiary of retirement benefits if the former spouse consents to such removal and the consent is evidenced by a certified court order issued in connection with a divorce. <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> as it applies to retirees of FRS. <u>Proposed law</u> authorizes active members of the system to remove a former spouse as a beneficiary without the former spouse's consent.

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

(Amends R.S. 11:2256.1(A) and (B))