

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 772

BY REPRESENTATIVE ROBIDEAUX

SHERIFFS: Provides relative to the payment of group insurance premiums for retired sheriffs and employees hired on or after July 1, 2014, for Lafayette Parish

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 13:5554(DD), relative to the premium costs of group insurance for retired
3 sheriffs and employees of Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office; to provide for eligibility
4 for payment of premium costs; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 13:5554(DD) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

7 §5554. Group insurance; kinds; amounts; subrogation

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9 DD. Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection D of this Section, the
10 Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office shall pay the premium costs of group insurance for
11 any retired sheriff and any retired employee hired on or after July 1, 2014, who
12 retires with the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office as follows:

13 (1) One hundred percent of the premium costs of group hospital, surgical,
14 medical expense, and the first ten thousand dollars of life insurance contracted for
15 under the provisions of this Section if the sheriff or employee retired from active
16 duty in good standing with thirty years or more of creditable full-time service with
17 the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office, regardless of age.

18 (2) One hundred percent of the premium costs of group hospital, surgical,
19 medical expense, and the first ten thousand dollars of life insurance contracted for
20 under the provisions of this Section if the sheriff or employee retired from active

1 duty in good standing with twenty years of creditable full-time service with the
2 Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office and is at least sixty-five years of age.

3 (3) For purposes of this Subsection, anyone retiring from the Lafayette
4 Parish Sheriff's Office must meet all requirements of this Subsection on their final
5 date of employment.

6 (4) The provisions of Paragraph (G)(1) of this Section shall apply to all
7 persons hired by the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office prior to July 1, 2014.

DIGEST

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HB No. 772

Abstract: Provides relative to the payment of group insurance premiums for retired sheriffs and employees hired on or after July 1, 2014, for Lafayette Parish.

Present law provides that the premium costs of group hospital, surgical, medical expense, and dental insurance, and the first \$10,000 of life insurance shall be paid in full from the sheriff's general fund for all sheriffs and deputy sheriffs retired with at least 15 years of service who are at least 55 years of age or retired with at least 30 years of service at any age.

Proposed law provides that 100% of the premium costs of group hospital, surgical, medical expense, and the first \$10,000 of life insurance shall be paid by the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office for all sheriffs and employees who retired from active duty in good standing with 30 years of creditable full-time service with the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office, regardless of age.

Proposed law provides that 100% of the premium costs of group hospital, surgical, medical expense, and the first \$10,000 of life insurance shall be paid by the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office for all sheriffs and employees who retired from active duty in good standing with 20 years of creditable full-time service with the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office, and is at least 65 years of age.

Proposed law requires that anyone retiring from the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office meet the requirements of proposed law upon final date of employment.

Proposed law applies to persons hired by the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office on or after July 1, 2014. Premium costs for persons hired prior to July 1, 2014, shall be paid pursuant to present law.

(Adds R.S. 13:5554(DD))