

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 44 (HB 46)

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Existing law (R.S. 11:581 et seq) establishes retirement benefits from the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (LASERS) for wildlife agents in the enforcement division of the Dept. of Wildlife & Fisheries whose first employment making them eligible for membership in one of the state systems occurred on or before Dec. 31, 2010.

Existing law authorizes payment of benefits for children of deceased wildlife agents. Prior law authorized such payments until the child reached age 18. New law provides that as long as the child meets the following definition of "minor child", such child is eligible to receive benefits: an unmarried child under the age of 18 years or an unmarried student under the age of 23 years who is the issue of a marriage of a member of the system, the legally adopted child of a member of the system, a child born outside of marriage of a female member of the system, or the child of a male member of the system if acknowledged or filiated pursuant to the provisions of the Civil Code.

New law requires that any cost of new law be funded with additional employer contributions in compliance with Art. X, Sec. 29(F) of the state constitution.

Effective upon signature of governor (June 5, 2015).

(Amends R.S. 11:586(A)(intro. para.) and (B), 587, 589, 590(B) and (C), and 591(A))