CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

SB 57 2016 Regular Session Bishop

June 2, 2016

To the Honorable President and Members of the Senate and to the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning Senate Bill No. 57 by Senator Bishop, recommend the following concerning the Engrossed bill:

1. That the House Committee Amendments Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 proposed by House and Governmental Affairs and adopted by the House on May 13, 2016 be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,	
Senators:	Representatives:
Senator Wesley Bishop	Representative Helena N. Moreno
Senator Karen Carter Peterson	Representative Michael E. Danahay
Senator Daniel "Danny" Martiny	Representative Lance Harris

The legislative instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by J. Ashley Mitchell Carter.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

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Keyword and summary of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

GOVERNOR. Prohibits the increase in salary of unclassified employees in the executive branch for a period commencing on the gubernatorial election day and concluding on inauguration day. (gov sig)

Report adopts House amendments to:

- 1. Specify the executive branch of state government.
- 2. Specify that the gubernatorial election day mentioned in the bill is the regularly scheduled gubernatorial primary election day.
- 3. Adds that if the governor or other public official believes that an increase in pay is needed during the time period specified, they must submit documentation to the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget indicating the specified information.
- 4. Adds that if such documentation is received during the specified time period, the committee will meet to consider the approval of the pay increase.
- 5. Specifies that this shall not apply to any postsecondary or higher education system.

Report rejects House amendments which would have:

1. None

Report amends the bill to:

1. None

Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that no unclassified employee in the executive branch of state government will receive any pay increases for a period starting on the regularly scheduled gubernatorial election day and ending on inauguration day without the approval of the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget shall meet after receiving documentation requesting a pay increase during the time period specified to consider approval of such pay increase.

<u>Proposed law provides that the state Civil Service Commission will adopt the same or substantially similar rule for classified employees barring some exceptions.</u>

<u>Proposed law</u> shall not apply to any postsecondary or higher education system or institution.

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

(Adds R.S. 49:201.2)