2017 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 149

BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHNSON

HOUSING/AUTHORITIES: Provides relative to employees of the Simmesport Housing Authority

1	AN ACT
2	To enact R.S. 40:539(C)(8)(f), relative to employees of the Simmesport Housing Authority;
3	to provide that employees of the Simmesport Housing Authority shall not be in the
4	state civil service; and to provide for related matters.
5	Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
6	as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of
7	Louisiana.
8	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
9	Section 1. R.S. 40:539(C)(8)(f) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
10	§539. Selection of chairman and vice chairman; executive director; hiring of
11	employees
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14	* * *
15	(8)
16	* * *
17	(f) Notwithstanding any provision of Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph or
18	of any other law to the contrary, the Simmesport Housing Authority shall not be
19	considered to be an instrumentality of the state for purposes of Article X, Section

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CODING: Words in struck through type are deletions from existing law; words <u>underscored</u> are additions.

1(A) of the Constitution of Louisiana, and employees of the authority shall not be

2 <u>included in the state civil service.</u>

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides that employees of the Simmesport Housing Authority shall not be included in the state civil service.

<u>Present constitution</u> provides that the state civil service includes all persons holding offices and positions of trust or employment in the employ of the state, or any instrumentality thereof, or any joint state and federal agency, state and parochial agency, or state and municipal agency. Excludes members of the state police service and persons holding offices and positions of any municipal board of health or local governmental subdivision.

<u>Present law</u> provides that employees of housing authorities shall be in the classified state civil service except as provided in the constitution or as otherwise authorized by the State Civil Service Commission. Excludes housing authority members, the executive director, one other employee whom the authority designates, and professional employees employed on a contract basis.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the Housing Authority of New Orleans, the Cottonport Housing Authority, the housing authority of Denham Springs, and the Housing Authority of the Town of Oil City shall not be considered instrumentalities of the state for purposes of Const. Art. X, (A) and that employees of these authorities shall not be included in the state civil service.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and additionally provides that the Simmesport Housing Authority shall not be considered an instrumentality of the state for purposes of Const. Art. X, §1(A) and that employees of the authority shall not be included in state civil service.

(Adds R.S. 40:539(C)(8)(f))

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