

2017 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 207

BY REPRESENTATIVE GARY CARTER

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

ETHICS/DUAL OFFICEHOLDG: Allows a health care provider on the faculty or staff of a public higher education institution to also hold elective office in the government of the United States

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 42:66(E), relative to dual officeholding and dual employment; to allow a
3 health care provider who is a member of the faculty or staff of a public higher
4 education institution to also hold elective office in the government of the United
5 States; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 42:66(E) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §66. Exemptions

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10 E. Nothing in this Part shall be construed to prohibit a health care provider
11 who is a member of the faculty or staff of a public higher education institution from
12 also holding an elective office in the government of the United States.

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14 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
15 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
16 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
17 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
18 effective on the day following such approval.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Allows a health care provider on the faculty or staff of a public higher education institution to hold elective office in the government of the U. S.

Present law regulates dual officeholding and dual employment in order to prevent conflicts of interest and to promote and maintain citizen trust in government. Prohibits certain specific combinations of public office and employment, including a prohibition against a person holding at the same time an elective or appointive office or employment in state government and an elective office, appointive office, or employment in the U.S. government. Provides specified exceptions to this prohibition.

Proposed law provides an exception to present law to allow a health care provider on the faculty or staff of a public higher education institution to hold elective office in the government of the U.S.

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

(Adds RS. 42:66(E))