RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 163 (SB 52) 2017 Regular Session

<u>Prior law</u> required that the premium costs of group hospital, surgical, medical expense, and dental insurance, and the first \$10,000 of life insurance 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.

New law provides that <u>prior law</u> applies to persons hired by the Natchitoches Parish Sheriff's Office before August 1, 2017.

<u>New law</u> provides that premium costs of group insurance for any retired sheriff or retired deputy sheriff of the Natchitoches Parish Sheriff's Office who meets the regular eligibility requirements of the Sheriff's Pension and Relief Fund shall be paid from the sheriff's general fund, as follows:

- (1) 100% for retired sheriffs and deputy sheriffs with 25 years of service.
- (2) 75% for retired sheriffs and deputy sheriffs with 20 years of service.
- (3) 50% for retired sheriffs and deputy sheriffs with 15 years of service.

<u>New law</u> further provides that the percentages of premiums shall be paid only if all service is creditable service with the sheriff's office of Natchitoches Parish.

<u>New law</u> applies to persons hired by the Natchitoches Parish Sheriff's Office on or after August 1, 2017, and who subsequently retire from the Natchitoches Parish Sheriff's Office.

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