2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 533

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKSON

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES: Authorizes public defenders and full-time employers of public defender officials to participate in programs sponsored by the Office of Group Benefits

1	AN ACT
2	To enact R.S. 42:808(12), relative to Office of Group Benefits; to authorize certain agencies
3	and offices to participate in programs sponsored by Group Benefits; to provide for
4	an effective date; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 42:808(12) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
7	§808. Eligibility in group programs
8	A. For the purposes of participating in life, health, or other programs
9	sponsored by the Office of Group Benefits, an employee is defined as:
10	* * *
11	(12) The district public defender and any full-time employee of a district
12	public defender office.
13	* * *
14	Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2018; if vetoed by the
15	governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective
16	on July 1, 2018, or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is
17	later.

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Abstract: Authorizes the district public defender and full-time employees of a district public defender office to participate in programs sponsored by the Office of Group Benefits.

<u>Present law</u> allows for participation in programs sponsored by the Office of Group benefits for active and retired state civil service employees, school board employees, soil and water conservation district employees, parish judges, New Orleans City Park Improvement Association employees, active or retired La. Naval War Memorial Commission employees, active New Orleans district attorney employees, active or retired La. National Guard employees, and West Jefferson Levee District employees.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds authorization for the district public defender and full-time employees of the district public defender office to participate in programs sponsored by the Office of Group Benefits.

Effective July 1, 2018

(Adds R.S. 42:808(12)