#### **HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2018 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to Original House Bill No. 388 by Representative Hodges

## 1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

- 2 On page 1, delete line 2 in its entirety and insert "To amend and reenact R.S. 9:2793.8, R.S.
- 3 23:893, R.S. 29:733(C)(Article 6), and R.S. 33:4712.18(A)(3),"

## 4 AMENDMENT NO. 2

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5 On page 2, between lines 11 and 12, insert the following:

"Section 2. R.S. 23:893 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows: §893. Volunteer firefighters; leave without loss of pay, benefits, or employment

<u>A.</u> No certified volunteer firefighter employed by the state of Louisiana shall be denied leave, work-related benefits, or employment for absenting himself from said <u>his</u> employment for the purpose of emergency response pursuant to such certification. An emergency shall be an unexpected occurrence that threatens life or property to which an established volunteer fire department or fire protection district responds while the certified volunteer firefighter is engaged in the normal course of state employment and to which the certified volunteer firefighter employed by the state of Louisiana may timely respond to utilize skills which enhance the preservation of life and property.

B. During a parish or state declared disaster, no volunteer firefighter shall be denied leave, work-related benefits, or employment for absenting himself from for the purpose of emergency response pursuant to such declaration not to exceed five days per declared disaster."

# 23 AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, line 12, change "Section 2." to "Section 3."

### 25 <u>AMENDMENT NO. 4</u>

26 On page 3, delete line 11 in its entirety and insert the following:

27 "and shall include, at a minimum, a check on the state sex offender and child 28 predator registry pursuant to R.S. 15:542.1.5 on the Dru Sjodin National Sex 29 Offender public website. Depending upon the mission of the volunteer, the 30 volunteer may be required to submit a federal and state background check. 31 Whether or not a federal and state background check is required will be 32 expressly identified in the memorandum of understanding between the volunteer agency and the deploying office of homeland security and 33 34 determined on the basis of public safety. If a federal and state background 35 check is required, the volunteer must be fingerprinted and fingerprints shall 36 be forwarded by the bureau to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) for 37 a national criminal history record check. The use of FBI records may be 38 used to screen the background of an applicant. All records in the state 39 repository shall be released to include arrests, convictions, and expunged 40 information. The costs of background checks shall be borne either by the 41 volunteer or its affiliated volunteer agency."

- 1 AMENDMENT NO. 5
- 2 On page 3, line 15, change "<u>U.S.C. 501(c)(3)</u>" to "<u>U.S.C. 501(c)</u>"
- 3 AMENDMENT NO. 6
- 4 On page 3, delete lines 23 through 28 in their entirety and insert the following:
- 5 "(2) Shall make every effort when deployed to coordinate with local
- 6 <u>officials.</u>"

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- 8 <u>AMENDMENT NO. 7</u>
- 9 On page 4, line 7, after "state," and before "and" insert "except a peace officer as defined in
- 10 R.S. 40:2402,"
- 11 AMENDMENT NO. 8
- On page 4, line 11, after "without" and before "pay" delete "loss of"
- 13 AMENDMENT NO. 9
- On page 4, line 12, after "without" and before "pay" delete "loss of"
- 15 AMENDMENT NO. 10
- On page 5, line 19, change "fifteen" to "five"
- 17 AMENDMENT NO. 11
- On page 6, line 21, change "Section 3." to "Section 4."
- 19 AMENDMENT NO. 12
- 20 On page 7, line 6, change "Section 4." to "Section 5."