

DIGEST

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SB 3 Engrossed

2018 Regular Session

Peacock

Present law provides for the survivor benefits for the spouses and children of certain members of Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System (LASERS) who are in the various hazardous duty plans, including wildlife agents, certain public safety and correction employees, and harbor police, who were killed in the line of duty or died from the direct result of an injury received while in the line of duty.

Proposed law provides for the survivor benefit for the spouse and children of a member of a hazardous duty plan killed in the line of duty by an intentional act of violence. Proposed law provides that the benefit shall be equal to 100% of the member's average compensation without regard to the amount of time that the deceased was a member of the plan. Proposed law extends the same benefit to a member of the regular plan who, had his first employment making him eligible for membership in any state system occurred after Dec. 31, 2010, would have been eligible for membership in the hazardous duty plan and did not opt to transfer his service into the hazardous duty plan.

Proposed law provides that the LASERS board of trustees shall electronically notify all members of the legislature when a survivor benefit is granted pursuant to proposed law.

Proposed law provides that the Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund board of trustees shall electronically notify all members of the legislature when a survivor benefit is granted pursuant to present law (R.S. 11:2178(D)(4)).

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

(Amends R.S. 11:478(E), 585, 586(A)(intro. para.) and (B), 587, 618(B), and 3685(A)(2)(e); Adds R.S. 11:478(F) and 586(A)(5))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Retirement to the original bill

1. Includes all members of any hazardous duty sub-plans for purposes of granting a survivor benefit for those members kill in the line of duty by an intentional act of violence.

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Retirement to the engrossed bill:

1. Add to proposed law any member of LASERS who is not a member of the hazardous duty plan, but would have otherwise been eligible for membership in the plan except that his first employment making him eligible for membership in a state system occurred on or before Dec. 31, 2010.