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Abstract: Provides that employees of the Simmesport Housing Authority shall not be included in the state civil service.

Present constitution (Art. X, §1(A)) provides that state civil service includes all persons holding offices and positions of trust or employment in the employ of the state, or any instrumentality thereof, or any joint state-federal, state-parochial, or state-municipal agency. Excludes members of the state police service and persons holding offices and positions of any municipal board of health or local governmental subdivision.

Present law (R.S. 40:539(C)(8)) provides that all employees of housing authorities shall be in the classified state civil service, except as provided in the constitution or as may be authorized by the State Civil Service Commission. Present law also excepts from this requirement: authority members, the executive director, one other employee whom the authority designates, and professional employees employed on a contract basis.

Present law provides that the housing authorities in New Orleans, Cottonport, Denham Springs, Oil City, Lafayette, Monroe, Shreveport, and Kenner and the East Baton Rouge Parish Housing Authority shall not be considered instrumentalities of the state for purposes of Const. Art. X, §1(A) and that employees of the authorities shall not be included in the state civil service.

Proposed law retains present law and additionally provides that the Simmesport Housing Authority shall not be considered an instrumentality of the state for purposes of Const. Art. X, §1(A) and that employees of the authority shall not be included in state civil service.

(Adds R.S. 40:539(C)(8)(k))