

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 194

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCKNIGHT

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

SHERIFFS: Allows a sheriff or deputy sheriff to purchase a duty weapon upon retirement for fair market value

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 11:2185, relative to sheriffs and deputy sheriffs; to provide  
3 relative to the criteria for a sheriff or a deputy sheriff to purchase his firearm upon  
4 retirement; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 11:2185 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §2185. Retirement; purchase of firearm

8 A. Any sheriff or deputy sheriff who retires ~~with at least sixteen years of~~  
9 ~~active service~~ and who is in good standing with the Louisiana Sheriffs' Pension and  
10 Relief Fund shall be entitled to purchase his firearm at fair market value upon  
11 retirement, subject to approval by the sheriff. If the qualifying sheriff or deputy  
12 sheriff was unable to purchase his firearm prior to his death, an immediate family  
13 member listed in Subsection B of this Section has the right of first refusal to  
14 purchase the firearm unless the immediate family member is prohibited from  
15 possessing a firearm under the provisions of R.S. 14:95.1 or any other state or federal  
16 law.

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DIGEST

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HB 194 Engrossed

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**Abstract:** Allows a sheriff or deputy sheriff to purchase his firearm at fair market value upon retirement.

Present law provides that a sheriff or deputy sheriff who retires with at least 16 years of active service and who is in good standing with the La. Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund is entitled to purchase his firearm at fair market value upon retirement, subject to approval by the sheriff.

Proposed law removes the years of active service requirement and otherwise retains present law.

(Amends R.S. 11:2185)