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BY REPRESENTATIVE MCFARLAND

INSURANCE/GROUP-SHERIFFS: Provides relative to qualifications for participation in the Employee Insurance Fund for the Winn Parish Sheriff's Office

1 AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:5554(J), relative to the Winn Parish Sheriff's Office; to

provide for insurance premium payments for sheriff and deputy sheriff retirees; to

provide for applicability; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 13:5554(J) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§5554. Group insurance; kinds; amounts; subrogation

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J. Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection D of this Section, <u>one</u> <u>hundred percent of</u> the premium costs of group hospital, surgical, medical expense, and dental insurance, and the first ten thousand dollars of life insurance contracted for under the provisions of this Section shall be paid in full by the sheriff of Winn Parish, from the sheriff's general fund, for all sheriffs and deputy sheriffs <u>hired</u> <u>before January 1, 2020, retired from the Winn Parish sheriff's office who are at least fifty-five years of age, with at least thirty years of service, and who are entitled to receive benefits from the Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund. The provisions of this <u>Subsection shall be applicable only to the sheriff's office of the parish of Winn.</u> who</u>

benefits from the Sheriff's Pension and Relief Fund, and who meet any of the
following conditions:
(1) Twelve years of service and are at least sixty-two years of age.
(2) Twenty years of service and are at least sixty years of age.
(3) Thirty years of service and are at least fifty-five years of age.

## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Specifies the requirements for sheriffs and deputy sheriffs who retire and become eligible for payment of group insurance premium costs from the Winn Parish Sheriff's Office.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the premium costs of group hospital, surgical, medical expense, and dental insurance and the first \$10,000 of life insurance contracted for under the provisions of <u>present law</u> shall be paid in full by the sheriff of Winn Parish, from the sheriff's general fund, for all sheriffs and deputy sheriffs retired from the Winn Parish Sheriff's Office who are at least 55 years of age, with at least 30 years of service, and who are entitled to receive benefits from the Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that 100% of the premium costs of group hospital, surgical, medical expense, and dental insurance, and the first \$10,000 of life insurance shall be paid in full by the sheriff of Winn Parish, from the sheriff's general fund, for all sheriffs and deputy sheriffs hired before Jan. 1, 2020, who have retired from the Winn Parish Sheriff's Office, who are entitled to receive benefits from the Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund, and who meet any of the following conditions:

- (1) 12 years of service and are at least 62 years of age.
- (2) 20 years of service and are at least 60 years of age.
- (3) 30 years of service and are at least 55 years of age.

(Amends R.S. 13:5554(J))