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2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 879

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BY REPRESENTATIVE GADBERRY

PARISH/GOVERN AUTHORITY: Provides relative to an authorized expense allowance paid to members of a parish governing authority

AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 33:1233(A)(3), relative to parish governing authorities; to 3 provide relative to the compensation of parish governing authority members; to 4 provide relative to an authorized expense allowance; to increase the maximum 5 amount authorized to be paid; and to provide for related matters. 6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 7 Section 1. R.S. 33:1233(A)(3) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows: 8 §1233. Compensation 9 A. 10 11 (3) In addition to any other compensation or expense allowance provided by 12 law, each parish governing authority which does not operate under a home rule 13 charter may pay a monthly, itemized expense allowance, not to exceed two four 14 hundred dollars per month, to the members of the governing authority as payment 15 for actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. Such expense 16 allowance shall be provided upon approval of a majority of the members of the 17 governing authority after public hearing. 18

## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Increases the maximum expense allowance authorized to be paid to members of a parish governing authority.

<u>Present law</u> provides that parish governing authorities organized under the police jury system of government shall provide for the method and amount of compensation for police jurors. Provides that police jurors shall not be paid for more than 144 days in any one year and that no police juror shall be compensated for more than 12 meetings per month, or that, in lieu of such per diem, the police jury may elect, by majority vote of the elected members, to be paid on a salary basis, in which event the maximum salary allowable shall be \$1,600/month for each police juror. Authorizes a police jury to allow for an increase in the police jury president's salary in an amount not to exceed \$400 per month in addition to the salary established for police jurors.

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Present law</u> further authorizes each parish governing authority which does not operate under a home rule charter to pay members an additional itemized expense allowance not to exceed \$200 per month for actual expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, subject to the approval of a majority of the members of the governing authority after public hearing.

<u>Proposed law</u> increases the maximum authorized expense allowance <u>from</u> \$200 to \$400.

(Amends R.S. 33:1233(A)(3))