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HB 394 Reengrossed

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Abstract: Provides for additional compensation for registrars of voters and their chief deputies and confidential assistants who have more than 12 years of experience.

<u>Present law</u> provides pay schedules for registrars of voters and their chief deputies and confidential assistants. Compensation varies based on the population of the parish and the years of experience of the individual. Years of experience are expressed as steps on the salary schedule.

<u>Present law</u> provides that each registrar, chief deputy, and confidential assistant shall receive an annual salary increase to the next step on July first until his annual salary equals the highest step of the appropriate population range. <u>Present law</u> also provides that such step increases in salary shall be given upon a finding of "excellent" on a merit evaluation.

<u>Present law</u>, for all three positions, provides that the highest step on the salary schedule is step 12.

<u>Proposed law</u> adjusts the <u>present law</u> steps to reflect a statewide adjustment of \$1,500 that has been included in the salaries of registrars of voters and their chief deputies and confidential assistants since 2007 and further adds salaries for eight more steps to each of the salary schedules.

<u>Present law</u> provides for an adjustment to salaries that are lower than the schedule amount for the first step. <u>Proposed law</u> removes this provision.

Effective July 1, 2023.

(Amends R.S. 18:55(A)(2) and (4)(a) and 59(B)(2) and (4)(a) and (C)(2) and (4)(a))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on House and Governmental</u> <u>Affairs</u> to the <u>original</u> bill:

1. Make adjustments to the salary schedules.

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Change the effective date from July 1, 2022 to July 1, 2023.