

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 183

BY REPRESENTATIVE LACOMBE

HOUSING/AUTHORITIES: Provides relative to the civil service status of employees of New Roads Public Housing Authority

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 40:539(C)(8)(q), relative to the civil service status of employees of the New
3 Roads Public Housing Authority; to provide that employees of the authority shall not
4 be in the state civil service; and to provide for related matters.

5 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
6 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of
7 Louisiana.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 40:539(C)(8)(q) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §539. Selection of chairman and vice chairman; executive director; hiring of
11 employees

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13 C.

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15 (8)

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17 (q) Notwithstanding Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph or of any other law
18 to the contrary, the New Roads Public Housing Authority shall not be considered an
19 instrumentality of the state for purposes of Article X, Section 1(A) of the

1 Constitution of Louisiana, and employees of the authority shall not be included in the
2 state civil service.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides that employees of the New Roads Public Housing Authority are not 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 government subdivision.

Present law 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 and one other employee whom the authority designates, and professional employees employed on a contract basis.

Present law provides that the housing authorities in specified cities shall not be considered instrumentalities of the state for purposes of present constitution and that employees of those authorities shall not be included in the state civil service.

Proposed law additionally provides that the New Roads Public Housing Authority shall not be considered an instrumentality of the state for purposes of present constitution and that employees of the authority shall not be included in the state civil service.

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