

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 89

BY REPRESENTATIVE TURNER

DISTRICT ATTORNEYS: Provides relative to retirees of the respective offices of the district attorney of the 3rd and 30th Judicial Districts

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 16:117 and 694, relative to the district attorney's office of the Third and
3 Thirtieth Judicial Districts; to provide relative to group health insurance coverage for
4 eligible retired employees; to provide for applicability; and to provide for related
5 matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 16:117 and 694 are hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §117. Group health insurance; Third Judicial District; office of the district attorney;
9 eligible retired employees

10 A. The premium costs of group health insurance shall be paid in full from
11 the district attorney's general fund of the Third Judicial District, or by paying an
12 amount equal to one hundred percent of the premium for a current employee of the
13 office of the district attorney, as the retiree chooses, for any district attorney or
14 assistant district attorney who retired with at least twenty-four years of full-time
15 service, regardless of age.

16 B. When the retired district attorney or assistant district attorney reaches the
17 age or condition for Medicare eligibility, the retired district attorney or assistant
18 district attorney shall secure Medicare and pursue a supplemental plan. The office
19 of the district attorney shall continue to pay the retired district attorney's or assistant

1 district attorney's current health insurance premium or the premium for the
2 supplemental plan that is comparable to the present insurance coverage.

3 C. As used in this Section, "years of full-time service" means the number of
4 years of creditable service that the retiree had in the District Attorneys' Retirement
5 System, as an assistant district attorney or an elected district attorney.

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7 §694. Group health insurance; Thirtieth Judicial District; office of the district
8 attorney; eligible retired employees

9 A. The premium costs of group health insurance shall be paid in full from
10 the district attorney's general fund of the Thirtieth Judicial District, or by paying an
11 amount equal to one hundred percent of the premium for a current employee of the
12 office of the district attorney, as the retiree chooses, for any district attorney or
13 assistant district attorney who retired with at least twenty-four years of full-time
14 service, regardless of age.

15 B. When the retired district attorney or assistant district attorney reaches the
16 age or condition for Medicare eligibility, the retired district attorney or assistant
17 district attorney shall secure Medicare and pursue a supplemental plan. The office
18 of the district attorney shall continue to pay the retired district attorney's or assistant
19 district attorney's current health insurance premium or the premium for the
20 supplemental plan that is comparable to the present insurance coverage.

21 C. As used in this Section, "years of full-time service" means the number of
22 years of creditable service that the retiree had in the District Attorneys' Retirement
23 System, as an assistant district attorney or an elected district attorney.

24 Section 2. The provisions of this Act apply prospectively only to those district
25 attorneys or assistant district attorneys who retire on and after the effective date of this Act.

DIGEST

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HB 89 Reengrossed

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Turner

Abstract: Requires the district attorney's office of the 3rd Judicial District and the 30th Judicial District to pay health insurance premiums for eligible retired employees covered by a group health plan.

Proposed law requires the district attorney's office in the 3rd and 30th Judicial Districts to pay up to 100% of a retired employee's health insurance premium comparable to the premium of an active employee's plan of choice.

Proposed law requires a retired employee to secure Medicare and pursue a supplemental plan when the retired employee reaches the age or condition for Medicare eligibility. Further requires the district attorney's office to continue paying the retired employee's current health insurance premium or the premium for the supplemental plan comparable to the present insurance coverage.

Proposed law defines "years of full-time service" as the number of creditable service years in the District Attorneys' Retirement System as an assistant district attorney or an elected district attorney.

Proposed law requires a retired employee to have 24 consecutive years of employment with a district attorney's office at the time of retirement for eligibility of benefits under proposed law.

Proposed law applies only to employees who retire on and after the effective date of proposed law.

(Adds R.S. 16:117 and 694)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

1. Include the 30th Judicial District in the requirement that the district attorney's office pay health insurance premiums for eligible retired employees covered by a group health plan.