

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 27

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCMAKIN

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A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 10(D)(2)(b)(iii) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to application of certain state monies to state retirement system unfunded accrued liability; to remove requirement that such monies be applied to the oldest system liabilities first; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published as provided by Article X, Section 29(C) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state of Louisiana, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to amend Article VII, Section 10(D)(2)(b)(iii) of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:

1 §10. Expenditure of State Funds

2 Section 10.

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4 (D) Appropriations.

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6 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this constitution, the appropriation or  
7 allocation of any money designated in the official forecast as nonrecurring shall be  
8 made only for the following purposes:

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10 (b)

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12 (iii) For Fiscal Year 2024-2025 and each fiscal year thereafter, the legislature  
13 shall appropriate no less than twenty-five percent of any money designated in the  
14 official forecast as nonrecurring to the state retirement systems for application to  
15 their unfunded accrued liability. ~~Money appropriated pursuant to this Item shall be  
16 applied by the receiving system to its outstanding positive amortization bases in the  
17 order in which they were created, from oldest to newest.~~ The legislature may  
18 provide by law for a formula to distribute the nonrecurring money between those  
19 state retirement systems that have unfunded accrued liability. If the legislature has  
20 not provided by law for a distribution formula, nonrecurring money shall be  
21 appropriated pursuant to this Item to each system in the proportion that the system's  
22 total unfunded accrued liability bears to the total of all state system unfunded  
23 accrued liability, using the most recent system valuations adopted by the Public  
24 Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee or its successor. Any payment to a state  
25 retirement system made pursuant to the provisions of this Item shall not be used,  
26 directly or indirectly, to fund cost-of-living increases for such system.

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28 Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted  
29 to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on November 3,  
30 2026.

1           Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at the election,  
2 there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted  
3 to vote YES or NO, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as  
4 follows:

5                   Do you support an amendment to authorize a state retirement system to apply  
6 any nonrecurring state monies it receives to any of its unfunded accrued  
7 liability rather than requiring application to its oldest unfunded accrued  
8 liability? (Amends Article VII, Section 10(D)(2)(b)(iii))

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE