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## DIGEST

Duplessis (SB 672)

Present law provides that in addition to per diem and all other allowances, members of the legislature shall be paid an annual salary of \$16,800.

Proposed law revises the salary of members of the legislature, as follows:

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The salary of the chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, the Senate Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Committee, the House Appropriations Committee, and the House Ways and Means Committee shall be 35% of the annual salary for members of the U.S. Congress. The chairmen of Senate Finance and Revenue and Fiscal Affairs shall be entitled to per diem and other allowances provided by law for members of the legislature.

All other members of the legislature shall be paid 30% of the annual salary for members of the U.S. Congress.

All salaries shall be adjusted as necessary effective July 1 annually.

Effective July 1, 2008.

(Amends R.S. 24:31.1(A), 502(A), 504(B), 506(A), and 507(B))

### Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

#### Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Finance to the original bill.

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2. Increases each member's monthly expense allowance from \$500 per month to \$1,000 per month.
3. Makes effective July 1, 2008.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill.

1. Deletes provision increasing each member's monthly expense allowance from \$500 per month to \$1,000 per month.
2. Deletes provision providing that per diem shall only be paid during regular and special sessions, and not during the interim.