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DIGEST

Morrell (SB 159)

Proposed law prohibits offices, officers, and staff managing police details and secondary employment from communicating with the New Orleans Police Department, its staff, officers, or superintendent, except that communicating with the Public Integrity Bureau is allowed.

Proposed law prohibits the head of the Office of Police and Secondary Employment (OPSE) from being within the chain of command of the New Orleans Police Department or from disciplining an officer. Proposed law further prohibits OPSE from restricting access to details without due process through civil service. Proposed law requires civil service to promulgate rules to resolve OPSE complaints.

Proposed law requires the chief management officer for the OPSE to refer all complaints of unprofessional conduct to the Public Integrity Bureau.

Proposed law requires OPSE to be responsible for workers' compensation and all related insurance costs of officers on detail or secondary employment.

Proposed law restricts the maximum administrative fee on hourly detail or secondary employment to five dollars per hour.

Proposed law requires the city of New Orleans to be responsible for any tax associated with payment of the five dollar administrative fee by any entity.

Proposed law requires that each assignment of paid police detail and secondary employment, as well as any exempted detail or details exempted from rotation, the name of any coordinator assigned to such detail, as well as the rationale given for any exemption from detail policy or procedure be a public record subject to the Public Records Law.

Proposed law requires the city of New Orleans to be responsible for the funding and payment of social security and Medicare employer and employee contributions for all detail or secondary employment and prohibits any deductions for any such contributions from the hourly rates established for officers on details.

Proposed law requires any communication regarding the chief management officer of the OPSE be a public record and subject to the Public Records Law and also be available under the Freedom of Information Act.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 33:2339)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary B to the original bill

1. Deletes provision requiring the inclusion of payments from a detail or secondary employment in all benefits earned by the officer.
2. Adds provisions regarding communication, OPSE complaints, workers' compensation, administrative fees, public records, and social security and Medicare.