DIGEST

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Kleckley HB No. 687

Provides for the expenses of the legislature and legislative service agencies. Appropriates \$69,263,933 from the state general fund for FY 2013-2014 including the following:

House of Representatives	\$ 27,607,568
Senate	\$ 20,728,093
Legislative Auditor	\$ 9,314,823
Legislative Fiscal Office	\$ 2,430,297
Louisiana State Law Institute	\$ 1,033,509
Legislative Budgetary Control Council	\$ 8,149,643
Total state general fund	\$ 69,263,933

Provides for the allocation of funds for salaries and allowances of members, officers, and staff of the House and Senate. Provides the balance on July 2, 2013 of the fund created by Act 513, §13 of 2008 RS is appropriated to the Legislative Budgetary Control Council.

Appropriates \$350,000 from the state general fund to establish the Legislative Auditor Ancillary Enterprise Fund as an agency working capital fund; appropriates \$23,379,566 from the fund, which is authorized to be used for expenses of the auditor's office.

Retains provisions of <u>existing law</u> allowing legislative assistants who were employed on or before Dec. 1, 2007, to retain the salary they were earning on Dec. 1, 2007.

Provides that if in the course of the fiscal year any legislative service agency provided for in <u>proposed law</u> realizes a budget savings through efficiencies, and documented metrics can be used to verify that such efficiencies exist, the agency is authorized to use the savings to provide for one-time salary supplements for the employees of the agency which realizes the savings.

Effective July 1, 2013.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill.

1. Adds provision regarding one-time salary supplements for employees of any legislative service agency that realizes budget savings through efficiencies.