

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT
House Bill No. 195 By Representative Chaney

May 30, 2013

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives and the Honorable President and Members of the Senate.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We, the conferees appointed to confer over the disagreement between the two houses concerning House Bill No. 195 by Representative Chaney, recommend the following concerning the Reengrossed bill:

1. That the set of Senate Committee Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary B and adopted by the Senate on May 15, 2013, be rejected.

Respectfully submitted,

Representative Charles R. Chaney

Senator Jean-Paul J. Morrell

Representative Jeffery "Jeff" J. Arnold

Senator Francis Thompson

Representative James R. Fannin

Senator Barrow Peacock

DIGEST

The digest printed below was prepared by House Legislative Services. It constitutes no part of the legislative instrument. The keyword, one-liner, abstract, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

House Bill No. 195 by Representative Chaney

Keyword and oneliner of the instrument as it left the House

INSURANCE/GROUP-SHERIFFS: Provides with respect to payment of insurance premiums for retired sheriffs and deputy sheriffs of the Richland Parish Sheriff's Office

Report rejects Senate amendments which would have:

1. Required the sheriffs of Acadia Parish and St. Bernard Parish to pay the premium costs of certain group insurances and life insurance for any sheriff eligible to receive benefits pursuant to the provisions outlined in proposed law.

Digest of the bill as proposed by the Conference Committee

Present law provides that the sheriff of Richland Parish shall pay 100% of the premium costs of group hospital, surgical, medical expense, and life insurance from the sheriff's general fund for any retired sheriff or deputy sheriff entitled to receive benefits from the Sheriffs' Pension and Relief Fund and who is at least 55 years of age and has 15 years of full-time service or has 30 years of full-time service, regardless of age.

Proposed law provides that present law shall apply to sheriffs and deputy sheriffs who are eligible to retire and meet certain requirements on or before Aug. 31, 2013.

Proposed law requires the premium costs of group hospital, surgical, and medical expense insurance, and the first \$10,000 of life insurance to be paid by the sheriff of Richland Parish from the sheriff's general fund for all sheriffs and deputy sheriffs who first become eligible to retire and subsequently retire after Aug. 31, 2013, as follows:

- (1) 50% with at least 25 years of service with the Richland Parish Sheriff's Office and who has attained the age of 55 years of age.
- (2) 100% with at least 30 years of service with the Richland Parish Sheriff's Office, regardless of age.

(Amends R.S. 13:5554(R))