
DIGEST

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HB No. 1167

Abstract: Authorizes the state examiner of municipal fire and police civil service, upon request, to prepare, administer, score, and report results of tests of applicants for fire and police positions in a city civil service system.

Present constitution (Part I of Const. Art. X) provides for the city civil service in cities having a population of over 400,000. Also authorizes cities of 10,000 but under 400,000 to elect to be governed by the provisions of Part I of Art. X. [Note: Present constitution authorized exclusion of firemen and policemen from the city civil service by the voters of the municipality at an election to be held within one year after the effective date of the constitution. The election in New Orleans resulted in including firemen and policemen in the city civil service.] Present constitution (Art. X, Part II) provides for a system of classified fire and police civil service in municipalities having a population over 13,000 and operating a paid fire and municipal police department, in all parishes, and in fire protection districts operating a regularly paid fire department.

Present law provides with respect to fire and police civil service systems in municipalities of 13,000 to 250,000 population (applicability specified in R.S. 33:2471), including provisions for testing of applicants for positions. Present law provides for a state examiner of municipal fire and police civil service and provides that the state examiner shall prepare and administer tests of fitness for original entrance and promotion to applicants for positions in the respective classified fire and police civil service, score the tests, and furnish the results to the board for which the tests are given.

Proposed law authorizes the state examiner, upon request of a city civil service commission, to prepare and administer tests of fitness for original entrance and promotion to applicants for fire service and police service positions in the classified service of a city civil service, to score such tests, and to furnish the results of such tests to the city civil service commission for which the tests were given. Defines "city civil service" as a city civil service system governed by the provisions of Const. Art X, Part I. Defines "city civil service commission" as the governing authority of a city civil service.

Proposed law requires the La. State Law Institute (LSLI) to place the provisions of R.S. 33:2473(22) as enacted in the Act in alphabetical order with other definitions in the Section and to redesignate the Paragraphs in the Section. Requires the LSLI to change citations as necessary by reason of such redesignations.

(Amends R.S. 33:2479(G); Adds R.S. 33:2473(22))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to the original bill.

1. Authorizes the state examiner to prepare, administer, score, and submit results of tests upon request of a city civil service commission, rather than requiring him to do so.