

Existing law provides that the premium costs of group hospital, surgical, medical expense, and dental insurance, and the first \$10,000 of life insurance shall be paid in full from the sheriff's general fund for all sheriffs and deputy sheriffs retired with at least 15 years of service who are at least 55 years of age or retired with at least 30 years of service at any age.

New law provides that 100% of the premium costs of group hospital, surgical, medical expense, and the first \$10,000 of life insurance shall be paid by the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office for all sheriffs and employees who retired from active duty in good standing with 30 years of creditable full-time service with the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office, regardless of age and for all sheriffs and employees who retired from active duty in good standing with 20 years of creditable full-time service with the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office, and is at least 65 years of age.

New law requires that anyone retiring from the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office meet the applicable requirements of new law upon final date of employment.

New law applies to persons hired by the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office on or after July 1, 2014. Premium costs for persons hired prior to July 1, 2014, shall be paid pursuant to existing law.

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