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Abstract: Provides relative to defined terms used within the provisions governing the municipal fire and police civil service.

Present constitution creates a fire and police civil service system applicable to municipalities of over 13,000 in population and parishes and fire protection districts. Provides that the system is subject to Art. XIV, §15.1 of the 1921 constitution made statutory by the 1974 constitution.

Present law creates and provides for two fire and police civil service systems: (1) one applicable to any municipality which operates paid police and fire departments and which has a population of not fewer than 13,000 persons; and (2) one applicable to any parish, fire protection district, or municipality with a population of fewer than 13,000, but not fewer than 7,000 persons.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides for definitions of terms used in present law. Proposed law adds "regular paid or regularly paid department" as a defined term. Provides that such term means any fire or police department in any municipality, parish, or fire protection district that employs personnel in positions of the classified service and compensates such personnel at regular intervals.

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

(Amends R.S. 33:2473 and 2533)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

 The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs to the original bill:

1. Include fire departments of parishes and fire protection districts within the definition of "regular paid or regularly paid department".