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DIGEST

Quinn (SB 296)

Present constitution prohibits a law, state executive order, rule or regulation requiring increased expenditure for any purpose from becoming effective within a political subdivision until it is approved by the political subdivision or until sufficient money is appropriated by the legislature to pay the cost or until a law provides for a local source of revenue. Provides that the prohibition doesn't apply to:

- (1) A law requested by the political subdivision.
- (2) A law defining a new crime or amending an existing crime.
- (3) A law enacted or effective prior to 1991 (the time when this present constitution provision was adopted).
- (4) A law, executive order, or rule adopted to comply with a federal mandate.
- (5) A law providing for civil service, minimum wages, hours, working condition, and pension and retirement benefits or vacation or sick leave benefits for fireman and policemen.
- (6) Any instruments adopted by two-thirds of both houses and any rule adopted pursuant to such instrument.
- (7) A law having insignificant fiscal impact on the affected political subdivision.

Present constitution exempts school boards.

Proposed constitutional amendment deletes the exemption and adds school boards to the effect of present constitutional provisions and adds three additional items to which the present provisions do not apply:

- (1) A law applicable to a city, parish, or other local public school board which was enacted and effective prior to 2006.
- (2) The contribution by every city, parish, or other local public school system provided for in the formula for the Minimum Foundation Program of education as required by the constitution, nor to any instrument adopted or enacted by the legislature approving such formula.
- (3) Any law relative to the implementation of the state school and district accountability system.

Specifies submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held Sept. 30, 2006.

(Amends Const. Art. VI, Sec. 14(A) and (B)(3); adds Const. Art.14(B)(8) and (9))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Education to the original bill.

1. Replaces a new section of the constitution with an amendment to a current section of the constitution by making the current section applicable to school boards.