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HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Representative Connick to Engrossed Senate Bill No. 338 by Senator Marionneaux

1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 2, after "To" and before "authorize" insert the following:

3 "amend and reenact R.S. 11:62(5)(f) and 441(F), and R.S. 47:820.5.2(F)(7), to enact
 4 R.S. 36:408(B)(4) and R.S. 40:1379.9, and to repeal R.S. 35:408 and R.S. 48:1101.1
 5 and to"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 2

7 On page 1, line 5, after "conditions;" and before "and" insert the following:

8 "relative to the Crescent City Connection police; to provide for the transfer of the
 9 Crescent City Connection police from the Department of Transportation and
 10 Development to the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, public safety
 11 services; to provide for termination of the Crescent City Connection Police; "

12 AMENDMENT NO. 3

13 On page 2, after line 22, add the following:

14 "Section 3. R.S. 11:62(5)(f) and 441(F) are hereby amended and reenacted to read
 15 as follows:

16 §62. Employee contribution rates established

17 Employee contributions to state and statewide public retirement systems shall
 18 be paid at the following rates:

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20 (5) Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System:

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22 (f) ~~Bridge Police~~ Crescent City Connection Police - 8.5% for those
 23 employees eligible for the benefit provided by R.S. 11:441(F).

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25 §441. Eligibility for retirement

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27 F.(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection A of this Section or any
 28 other provision of law to the contrary, employees of the ~~bridge police section of the~~
 29 Crescent City Connection ~~Division~~ police of the Department of ~~Transportation and~~
 30 ~~Development~~ Public Safety and Corrections who are members of the system shall be
 31 eligible for retirement at any age upon attaining twenty-five or more years of service
 32 credit, at least ten of which were served immediately prior to application for
 33 retirement in a position with ~~the bridge police section of the~~ Crescent City
 34 Connection ~~Division~~ police of the Department of ~~Transportation and Development~~
 35 Public Safety and Corrections.

36 (2) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, members
 37 employed by the bridge police section of the Crescent City Connection Division of
 38 the Department of Transportation and Development on the effective date of this
 39 Paragraph, shall be governed by the provisions of this Subsection.

1 Section 4. R.S. 36:408(B)(4) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

2 §408. Offices; purposes and functions

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4 B.

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6 (4) Within the office of state police there shall be the Crescent City
 7 Connection Police Force (R.S. 40:1379.9) which shall perform the functions and the
 8 duties of the state related to the Crescent City Connection Bridge as provided by law
 9 and department rules and regulations.

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11 Section 5. R.S. 40:1379.9 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

12 §1379.9. Crescent City Connection police

13 A. The Crescent City Connection Police is hereby created within the
 14 Department of Public Safety and Corrections, office of state police. The deputy
 15 secretary for public safety services may, at his discretion, appoint, fix salaries of, and
 16 pay bridge police in accordance with Department of State Civil Service regulations.
 17 The deputy secretary may make and amend rules and regulations for the conduct,
 18 management, and control of such police.

19 B.(1) Persons hired shall be at least eighteen years of age and of good
 20 character. All persons appointed as police officers under this Section shall complete
 21 and graduate from a training program as approved and accredited as provided in R.S.
 22 40:2401 et seq., entitled: Peace Officer Standards and Training Law. Each police
 23 officer so appointed shall furnish bond in accordance with law in a sum to be fixed
 24 by the secretary. Such bond shall be conditioned on the faithful performance of the
 25 police officer's duties, and any person injured or damaged by such police officer may
 26 sue upon said bond.

27 (2)(a) Crescent City Connection police shall have, under the direction and
 28 control of the secretary, the same powers to make arrests and the power to execute
 29 and return all warrants and processes as sheriffs of the parishes of Jefferson and St.
 30 Bernard and police officers of the city of New Orleans and the cities of Gretna and
 31 Westwego in and upon the Mississippi River Bridge Authority's property occupied
 32 by the Crescent City Connection, the Huey P. Long Bridge, the Westbank
 33 Expressway, and the ferries and the public ways contiguous thereto. Such police
 34 officers, under the same direction and control of the secretary, shall have all other
 35 powers of sheriffs of the parishes of Jefferson and St. Bernard and police officers of
 36 the city of New Orleans and the cities of Gretna and Westwego as peace officers,
 37 in all places and on all premises under the jurisdiction and control of the Crescent
 38 City Connection, the Huey P. Long Bridge, the Westbank Expressway, and the
 39 ferries and the public ways contiguous thereto.

40 (b) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Subsection, the jurisdiction
 41 of the Crescent City Connection police on the Pontchartrain Expressway shall not
 42 extend beyond the South Broad Street Overpass in the city of New Orleans and the
 43 jurisdiction of the Crescent City Connection police on the Westbank Expressway
 44 shall not extend beyond the westernmost convergence of the Westbank Expressway
 45 and U.S. Highway 90; however, the jurisdiction of the Crescent City Connection
 46 police on the westbank of the Mississippi River shall include the area bounded on the
 47 north by General Meyer Avenue, on the south by the Magellan Canal, on the west
 48 by Shirley Drive, and on the east by Pace Boulevard.

49 (c) The Crescent City Connection police shall exercise concurrent police
 50 jurisdiction with the sheriff of the parish of Jefferson and the police chiefs of the
 51 cities of Gretna and Westwego under the provisions of this Section unless the sheriff
 52 of the parish of Jefferson and the police chiefs of the cities of Gretna and Westwego
 53 give written notification that such concurrent police jurisdiction is terminated by that
 54 law enforcement agency as to the exercise of concurrent jurisdiction within its law
 55 enforcement jurisdiction.

56 (3) In an emergency situation, at the request of a sheriff, chief of police,
 57 officer, chief executive officer of any of the above-named municipalities, or the
 58 governing authority of any of the above-named parishes, the Crescent City
 59 Connection police shall have the above-conferred powers throughout the geographic

1 limits of such parish or city until such time as the requesting authority has certified
2 that the emergency is over. An emergency situation declared under the provisions
3 of this Paragraph shall not last more than ten days unless the extension of the
4 emergency situation is approved by a majority of the legislative delegation
5 representing Orleans, Jefferson, and St. Bernard Parishes.

6 (4) No person appointed as a police officer pursuant to this Section shall
7 receive any state supplemental pay.

8 C. Any persons arrested by police officers appointed under this Section and
9 the return of all warrants or processes served by said officers shall be surrendered or
10 delivered to the appropriate custodial authorities of the city of New Orleans, the city
11 of Gretna, the parish of Jefferson, or the parish of St. Bernard provided, however,
12 that nothing in this Section shall deprive the New Orleans City Police, Gretna City
13 Police, nor any sheriff or deputy sheriff in the parishes of Orleans, Jefferson, or St.
14 Bernard from making arrests or serving warrants or processes in any such place or
15 on any such premises.

16 Section 6. R.S. 47:820.5.2(F)(7) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
17 §820.5.2. Crescent City Connection toll violations

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19 F. The following procedures shall be taken for the collection of tolls,
20 administrative fees, and late charges under this Section:

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22 (7) These provisions do not apply to traffic citations and moving violations
23 issued by officers of the Crescent City Connection ~~Division Police Department~~
24 Police Force or other law enforcement personnel.

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26 Section 7. R.S. 35:408 and R.S. 48:1101.1 are hereby repealed in their entirety.

27 Section 8. Funding for the Crescent City Connection police, as established in this
28 Act, within the Department of Public Safety and Corrections shall be transferred from the
29 Department of Transportation and Development, Crescent City Connection division to the
30 Department of Public Safety and Corrections, public safety services.

31 Section 9. The Crescent City Connection Police Force, within the office of state
32 police, as provided for by this Act, shall cease to exist and terminate on December 31,
33 2012."