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Fiscal Note**

Fiscal Note On: **HB 62** HLS 17RS 370
 Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**
 Opp. Chamb. Action:
 Proposed Amd.:
 Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Insurance/Group-Sheriffs	

INSURANCE/GROUP-SHERIFFS EG SEE FISC NOTE LF EX Page 1 of 1
 Provides relative to group insurance premiums for retirees of the Rapides Parish Sheriff's Office

Purpose of Bill: This bill requires retirees of the Rapides Parish Sheriff's Office hired on or after July 1, 2017, to have at least 15 years of service with the Rapides Parish Sheriff's Office and to reach the age of at least 55 in order to have the premiums for certain health and life insurance benefits paid from the sheriff's general fund.

EXPENDITURES	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Annual Total						

REVENUES	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

This bill may reduce local governmental expenditures in the next five fiscal years, but the potential savings amount is indeterminable.

An official with the Rapides Parish Sheriff's Office indicated that expenditures may decrease due to the more restrictive eligibility requirements in order to have the premiums for certain health and life insurance benefits paid from the sheriff's general fund. Under present law, premium costs for certain health and life insurance are paid in full from the sheriff's general fund when sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, among other requirements, reach at least 15 years of service. These service years may be transferred in from another entity. This bill changes the requirement so that at least 15 years of service must be with the Rapides Parish Sheriff's Office. The potential savings is unknown because it is difficult to predict if or when the sheriff's office would hire such a person after July 1, 2017 that would have been able to transfer in service credit and receive benefits.

The average annual cost of the health insurance premium for one retiree is \$6,500.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this bill.

Senate Dual Referral Rules
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}

House
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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