RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 23 (HB 32) 2017 Regular Session Pearson

<u>Existing law</u> provides that the Municipal Employees' Retirement System (MERS) board of trustees is composed of 11 trustees; provides that it includes the following:

- (1) Three active and contributing members of the system who are elected officials.
- (2) The president of the La. Municipal Assoc.
- (3) The chairman of the Senate Committee on Retirement.
- (4) A member of the House Committee on Retirement appointed by the speaker of the House.
- (5) The commissioner of administration.
- (6) The state treasurer.

<u>Prior law</u> provided for three active and contributing members who are not elected officials to serve as trustees.

<u>New law</u> reduces the number of trustees who are members but not elected officials <u>from</u> three <u>to</u> two and adds a retired member of the system. <u>New law</u> provides that the retired membership of the system shall elect the trustee who is a retired member of the system.

<u>Existing law</u> sets six year, staggered terms for trustees who are members of the system. <u>New</u> law makes existing law applicable to the retiree trustee.

Effective upon signature of governor (June 3, 2017).

(Amends R.S. 11:1821(B), (C), and (G))