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HB 401 Engrossed

2018 Regular Session

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Abstract: Requires the East Feliciana Parish Sheriff to pay a certain percentage of group insurance premiums for certain retirees.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes the sheriff of each parish to pay for the insurance premiums of the sheriff, sheriff deputies, and dependents of sheriff and sheriff deputies. The sheriff may contract with any insurance company authorized to do business in this state for group life and accidental death and dismemberment, group health, accident, dental, hospital, surgical, or other medical expense and group disability insurance.

<u>Present law</u> requires the sheriff of certain parishes, including East Feliciana, to pay these premiums in full for their retirees.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> for those retirees hired prior to July 1, 2018, and requires the East Feliciana Parish Sheriff to pay the insurance premiums for retired sheriff and sheriff deputies hired on or after July 1, 2018, depending on their years of service:

- (1) Retirees with 15 years of service who have reached 55 years of age shall have 50% of their insurance premiums paid.
- (2) Retirees with 20 years of service who have reached 55 years of age shall have 75% of their insurance premiums paid.
- (3) Retirees with 25 years of service who have reached 55 years of age shall have 100% of their insurance premiums paid.
- (4) Retirees with 30 years of service at any age shall have 100% of their insurance premiums paid.

(Adds R.S. 13:5554(G)(7))