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Abstract: Provides relative to supplemental pay to certain law enforcement officers whose agency is headquartered in Baton Rouge

Present law requires the payment of extra compensation in the amount of \$600 per month for any full-time commissioned law enforcement officer employed by a bona fide police agency of the state or its political subdivisions, other than the Department of Public Safety and Corrections and the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, and headquartered in either the city of New Orleans or Lake Charles, who serves the welfare of the public by providing police services to the general public by effecting arrests, issuing citations, and serving warrants, while patrolling levees, waterways, and riverfront areas, or while patrolling bridges that are within the boundaries of the city of New Orleans or Lake Charles. Eligible officers are required to have completed one year of service, be hired after March 31, 1986, and have completed and passed a council-certified training program.

Proposed law retains present law and adds law enforcement agencies headquartered in the city of Baton Rouge that patrol levees, waterways, and riverfront areas, or patrol bridges to the list of law enforcement officers eligible to receive the extra compensation of \$600 a month.

Effective July 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 40:1667.1(A)(2)(a))