
DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides relative to the pay range of the state examiner and deputy state examiner of the municipal fire and police civil service.

Present constitution creates a fire and police civil service system applicable to municipalities of over 13,000 population and parishes and fire protection districts. Provides that the system is subject to Art. XIV, §15.1 of the 1921 Constitution of Louisiana made statutory by the 1974 Constitution of Louisiana. Present law creates and provides for two fire and police civil service systems: (1) one applicable to any municipality which operates paid police and fire departments and which has a population of not fewer than 13,000 persons; and (2) one applicable to any parish, fire protection district, or municipality with a population of fewer than 13,000, but not fewer than 7,000 persons.

Proposed law retains present constitution and present law.

Present law creates the office of state examiner and deputy state examiner. Requires that the state examiner and deputy state examiner to be residents and qualified voters of the state. Requires that both have experience in personnel administration, classification, or employment testing in the classified civil service system. Provides that both serve on a full-time basis. Requires that the state examiner receive and be paid a salary set by the State Civil Service Commission's uniform pay plan. Requires that the deputy state examiner receive and be paid a salary set by the state examiner in accordance with the State Civil Service Commission's uniform pay plan.

Proposed law retains present law.

Present law provides that the position of state examiner shall be assigned to the same pay range to which the deputy director of state civil service is assigned. Provides that the position of deputy state examiner shall be assigned to the pay range which is two levels below the pay range to which the deputy director of state civil service is assigned.

Proposed law removes present law.

(Amends Const. 1921, Art. XIV, Sec. 15.1(9)(a) and (b) and R.S. 33:2479(D) and (H))