
DIGEST

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HB 77 Engrossed

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Abstract: Requires the clerks of court of Lincoln and Lafourche Parishes to pay for specified group insurance premiums for eligible retirees.

Present law authorizes the clerk of any district court to contract for group insurance for the clerk of court, employees, and dependants of the clerk or the clerk's employees.

Present law provides that the clerk or any covered clerk's employee who retires under the clerk of court retirement program may elect to continue insurance coverage under the program if employed for at least 12 years prior to retirement. Provides that costs may be paid in the same manner as if the retiree were still employed by the clerk of court.

Present law provides that the covered employee begins receiving retirement benefits immediately upon retirement from active employment.

Proposed law retains present law and requires the Lincoln Parish Clerk of Court to pay the full amount of all insurance premiums for all retirees who have worked with the office of the Lincoln Parish Clerk of Court for at least 20 years and who meets the age requirement for retirement.

Proposed law further requires the Lafourche Parish Clerk of Court to pay the full amount of all insurance premiums for all retirees who have worked with the office of the Lafourche Parish Clerk of Court for at least 20 years and who meets the age requirement for retirement.

(Adds R.S. 13:783(F)(13) and (14))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to the original bill:

1. Add the Lafourche Parish Clerk of Court to the requirement to pay the full amount of all insurance premiums for all retirees who have worked with the office for at least 20 years and who are at least 55 years old.