## DIGEST

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Abstract: Limits permitted withholdings from school employee earnings to nonunion dues only and eliminates required request for deduction by a minimum number of employees.

<u>Present law</u> provides that a teacher or other school board employee may authorize his employer to deduct and withhold from his earnings the payment of regular dues owed to any organization of teachers or school employees for designated pay periods. <u>Proposed law</u> limits such withholdings to dues for nonunion organizations.

<u>Present law</u> further provides that no such deduction shall be made unless 50 or more teachers or employees, or 10% of the total number of employees, whichever is less, have requested such deduction be made and the deduction is specifically and voluntarily authorized in writing by the teacher or employee. <u>Proposed law</u> eliminates this requirement. <u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> requiring written authorization by the employee of such deductions.

(Amends R.S. 17:438(A) and (B))