

2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 544

BY REPRESENTATIVE BILLIOT

FIRE PROTECT/FIRE DEPTS: Provides relative to the definition of fire employee

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 33:2181(A)(1), relative to the investigation of fire employees;
3 to provide relative to the definition of fire employee; and to provide for related
4 matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 33:2181(A)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §2181. Applicability; minimum standards during investigation; penalties for failure
8 to comply

9 A. Unless context otherwise requires, the following terms when used in this

10 Subpart shall be given the meanings assigned below:

11 (1) "Fire employee" includes any person employed in the fire department of
12 any municipality, parish, or fire protection district maintaining a full-time regularly
13 paid fire department, regardless of the specific duties of such person within the fire
14 department, and who is under investigation with a view to possible disciplinary
15 action, demotion, or dismissal. "Fire employee" also includes employees of non-
16 profit corporations under contract with a fire protection district or other political
17 subdivision to provide fire protection services, including operators of the fire-alarm
18 system when such operators are members of the regularly constituted fire
19 department.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides relative to the definition of fire employee for purposes of procedures applicable to the investigation of such an employee.

Present law defines a "fire employee" for purposes of procedures applicable to the investigation of such an employee as anyone employed in a full-time fire department, regardless of his specific duties, who is under investigation.

Proposed law retains present law and additionally defines "fire employee" to include employees of non-profit corporations under contract with a fire protection district or other political subdivision to provide fire protection services.

(Amends R.S. 33:2181(A)(1))