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2019 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 24

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BY REPRESENTATIVE STAGNI

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

RETIREMENT/PAROCHIAL EMP: Provides for the enrollment of additional employees in the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 11:1903(A)(introductory paragraph) and to enact
3	11:1902(12)(e), relative to membership in the Parochial Employees' Retirement
4	System of Louisiana; to provide for membership of employees of certain public
5	trusts; and to provide for related matters.
6	Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
7	as provided by Article X, Section 29(C) of the Constitution
8	of Louisiana.
9	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
10	Section 1. R.S. 11:1903(A)(introductory paragraph) is hereby amended and
11	reenacted and R.S. 11:1902(12)(e) in hereby enacted to read as follows:
12	§1902. Definitions
13	As used in this Chapter, the following words and phrases shall have the
14	following meanings, unless a different meaning is plainly required by context:
15	* * *
16	(12)
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18	(e) "Employee" shall also mean a person employed by a public trust that
19	meets all of the following conditions:
20	(i) The trust was created pursuant to R.S. 9:2341 through 2347.

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(ii) The trust exists for the sole benefit of a parish, without regard to the source of funds for such trust.

(iii) The trustees of the trust have submitted a plan pursuant to R.S. 11:1903, and the plan has been approved by the board of trustees.

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§1903. Admission of taxing districts; district indigent defender programs; soil and water conservation districts; certain public corporations

A. Any taxing district of a parish that qualifies as an employer pursuant to

R.S. 11:1902(13)<sub>2</sub> or any branch or section of a parish that qualifies as an employer pursuant to R.S. 11:1902(13)<sub>2</sub> including a hospital district, water district, library, district indigent defender program in this state, or soil and water conservation district in this state, and any public corporation created pursuant to R.S. 9:2341 through 2347 whose sole beneficiary is a parish in the state is hereby authorized to may submit for approval by the board of trustees a plan for extending the benefits of this Chapter to employees of such district entity. Each such plan or any amendment thereof shall be approved by the board of trustees if it finds that such plan, or such plan as amended, is in conformity with such requirements as are provided in regulations of the board of trustees, except that no such plan shall be approved unless:

**DIGEST** 

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**Abstract:** Allows employees of certain public corporations to become members in the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of La. (PERS).

Present law provides for membership in PERS.

<u>Present law</u> provides for the creation of public trusts which may issue obligations and provide funds to accomplish the functions or purpose of the state or any parish, municipality, or other political subdivision.

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<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and further provides for membership in PERS by a person employed by a public trust whose sole beneficiary is a parish.

(Amends R.S. 11:1903(A)(intro. para.); Adds 11:1902(12)(e))