

2019 Regular Session

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 266

BY SENATOR COLOMB

RETIREMENT BENEFITS. Request study of disposition of retirement benefits for state systems when a beneficiary is convicted of murdering the system member.

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To urge and request that the Senate Committee on Retirement to conduct a study of  
3 disposition of retirement benefits for state systems when a beneficiary is convicted  
4 of murdering the system member.

5 WHEREAS, the state of Louisiana has made every effort to provide for its public  
6 servants through their retirement benefits and treats such benefits with the highest regard;  
7 and

8 WHEREAS, forfeiture or garnishment of such benefits of a member or beneficiary  
9 is not something to be taken lightly and has been provided for only in very limited  
10 circumstances such as public corruption, criminal sexual misconduct, and child support  
11 enforcement; and

12 WHEREAS, under the Louisiana Civil Code, an heir or legatee who intentionally  
13 kills someone may be judicially declared unworthy to receive anything from the victim's  
14 estate; and

15 WHEREAS, under the Louisiana Insurance Code, no person adjudged to be  
16 criminally responsible for the death of the individual insured shall receive insurance benefits  
17 under a life insurance contract; and

18 WHEREAS, Louisiana law does not currently provide for forfeiture or garnishment

