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DIGEST

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Present law designates certain elected or appointed officials as part-time public servants who are not eligible to participate in any public retirement system, fund, or plan sponsored by the state of La. or any instrumentality or political subdivision.

Proposed law creates an exception allowing certain members of a board or commission to become eligible to participate in a public retirement system, fund, or plan subject to a two-thirds vote of each house.

Proposed law provides for the membership of the chairman of the La. Gaming Control Board into the La. State Employees' Retirement System (LASERS), if appointed and employed on or after July 1, 2024.

Present law provides that the governor shall fix the salary of the members of the La. Gaming Control Board, not to exceed $15,000 per year, and that a member is entitled to a per diem.

Present law restricts the chairman of the La. Gaming Control Board from engaging in any other business or profession or earning compensation other than his salary. The chairman salary shall be that of a court of appeal judge. Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law provides that the chairman be considered a full-time employee, eligible for LASERS membership.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends 11:164(A)(3) and R.S. 27:14(B)(2); adds R.S. 11:411(16))