Regular Session, 2011

HOUSE BILL NO. 281

BY REPRESENTATIVE ELLINGTON

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

ASSESSORS: Requires the assessor in certain parishes to pay insurance premiums for retirees

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1923(D)(1), relative to tax assessors; to require the payment by an assessor of premiums for group insurance for coverage of certain retirees of the office of the assessor in certain parishes; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 47:1923(D)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1923. Authority for assessors separately or jointly to contract for insurance; payment of premiums

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D.(1) In the parishes of Allen, Ascension, Assumption, Avoyelles, Beauregard, Bienville, Calcasieu, Cameron, Claiborne, Concordia, DeSoto, East Baton Rouge, Franklin, Iberia, Iberville, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Lafourche, LaSalle, Madison, Morehouse, Natchitoches, Orleans, Ouachita, Plaquemines, Pointe Coupee, Rapides, Red River, Sabine, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. Helena, St. John the Baptist, St. Landry, St. Martin, Tangipahoa, Tensas, Terrebonne, Union, Vermilion, Vernon, Washington, Webster, West Baton Rouge, West Carroll, ~~and~~ West Feliciana, and any parish with a population of between ten thousand and eleven thousand according to the 2010 federal decennial census, the assessor shall pay the premium cost of group life, dental, group health, hospital, surgical, or other medical insurance for any assessor or assessor's employee who retires with at least twenty

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years of service who is at least fifty-five years of age or who retires with at least thirty years of service at any age. A uniform policy with respect to the payment of such premium shall be formulated and applied by the assessor of each parish listed in this Subsection.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires the assessor for any parish with a population of between 10,000 and 11,000 to pay the group insurance premiums for retirees of the assessor's office who meet certain eligibility criteria.

Present law requires that the tax assessor of certain parishes pay the premium cost of group life, dental, health, and other insurance for any assessor or assessor's employee who retires with at least 20 years of service who is at least 55 years of age or who retires with at least 30 years of service at any age. The parishes included are: Acadia, Allen, Ascension, Assumption, Avoyelles, Beauregard, Bienville, Calcasieu, Cameron, Claiborne, Concordia, DeSoto, East Baton Rouge, Franklin, Iberia, Iberville, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Lafourche, LaSalle, Madison, Morehouse, Natchitoches, Orleans, Ouachita, Plaquemines, Pointe Coupee, Rapides, Red River, Sabine, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. Helena, St. John the Baptist, St. Landry, St. Martin, Tangipahoa, Tensas, Terrebonne, Union, Vermilion, Vernon, Washington, Webster, West Baton Rouge, West Carroll, and West Feliciana.

Proposed law retains present law and adds the assessor in a parish with a population of between 10,000 and 11,000 according to the 2010 census.

(Amends R.S. 47:1923(D)(1))

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