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HOUSE BILL NO. 625

BY REPRESENTATIVE ST. GERMAIN

INSURANCE: Provides with respect to the assessments against insurers

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1476(A)(2), relative to the dedication of assessments paid by

certain insurers; to increase the dedication to the Municipal Fire and Police Civil

Service Operating Fund; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 22:1476(A)(2) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§1476. Assessments against insurers; dedications

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(2) An amount equal to two and one-fourth three-fourths hundredths of one percent of the gross direct premiums received in this state, in the preceding year; two and thirty-seven eighty-eight hundredths of one percent of the direct gross premiums received in this state, in the year 2001 2014; and two and one-half three hundredths of one percent of the direct gross premiums received in the state, in the year 2003 2016 and every year thereafter by insurers doing business in this state and subject to this Subpart, less returned premiums shall be deposited by the commissioner of insurance with the state treasurer to be credited to a special fund created in the state treasury entitled the Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Operating Fund, hereinafter known as the "fund". Subject to an annual appropriation by the legislature pursuant to the provisions of R.S. 33:2480 and 2540, monies in the fund shall be used solely to support the operations of the office of state examiner, Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service. Monies in the fund shall be invested by the

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treasurer in the same manner as monies in the state general fund and interest earned
on investment of these monies shall be credited to the state general fund. All
unexpended and unencumbered monies in the fund at the end of the fiscal year shall
revert to the state general fund.

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Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2012; if vetoed by the governor
and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on July 1,
2012, or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is later.

DIGEST

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St. Germain HB No. 625

Abstract: Incrementally increases the portion of the assessment paid by insures that will be allocated to the Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Operating Fund.

<u>Present law</u> requires the commissioner of insurance to levy an assessment, in an amount proportionate to the amount of premiums collected in a particular year, against certain insurers in the state. Further makes provisions for the amounts to be dedicated to the Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Operating Fund.

<u>Proposed law</u> increases the amount dedicated to the Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Operating Fund <u>from</u> two and one-fourth hundredths of 1% of the gross direct premiums received in the year 1998; two and thirty-seven hundredths of 1% of the direct gross premiums received in the year 2001; and two and one-half hundredths of 1% of the direct gross premium received in the year 2003 and each following year, <u>to</u> two and three-fourths hundredths of 1% of the premium received in 2011; two and eighty-eight hundredths of 1% of the premium received in the year 2014; and three hundredths of 1% of the premium received in the year 2016 and each of the following years.

Effective on July 1, 2012.

(Amends R.S. 22:1476(A)(2))