2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 356

BY REPRESENTATIVES PYLANT AND ADAMS

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

FIRE PROTECT/FIREMEN: Provides relative to wage and hours regulations for fire departments

| 1 | AN ACT |
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| 2 | To amend and reenact R.S. 33:1991(A)(1), relative to employees of fire departments; to |
| 3 | provide relative to the applicability of provisions pertaining to wages and hours; and |
| 4 | to provide for related matters. |
| 5 | Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: |
| 6 | Section 1. R.S. $33:1991(A)(1)$ is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows: |
| 7 | §1991. Definitions |
| 8 | A.(1) The word "fireman", as used in this Subpart includes all persons |
| 9 | employed or engaged full-time by municipalities or municipal fire departments, |
| 10 | parishes or parish fire departments, or fire protection districts for firefighting, or fire |
| 11 | prevention, fire investigation, fire protection, or emergency duties and services, or |
| 12 | for training of such persons. as well as The word "fireman" also includes employees |
| 13 | of nonprofit corporations under contract with a fire protection district or other |
| 14 | political subdivision to provide such services, including operators of the fire-alarm |
| 15 | system when such operators are members of the regularly constituted fire |
| 16 | department. The word "fireman" does not include carpenters, storekeepers, |
| 17 | machinists, clerks, building hazard and similar inspectors, physicians, or other non- |
| 18 | firefighting employees detailed for such special duties, nor does the word "fireman", |
| 19 | except as otherwise provided in this Subsection, include employees of privately |
| 20 | owned or operated firefighting or fire prevention services. |
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Abstract: Provides relative to the definition of "fireman" with respect to provisions pertaining to minimum wages and maximum hours.

<u>Present law</u> provides with respect to wages, hours, sick leave, and vacation for firemen and other employees of fire departments.

<u>Present law</u> defines "fireman" to include all persons employed or engaged full-time by municipalities or municipal fire departments, parishes or parish fire departments, or fire protection districts for firefighting, or fire prevention duties and services.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds persons employed for fire investigation, fire protection, and emergency duties and services to definition. Also adds persons employed to provide training for persons covered by <u>present law</u> and <u>proposed law</u>.

(Amends R.S. 33:1991(A)(1))