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Present law provides relative to the La. Public Defender Fund in the state treasury.

Present law provides that the fund is to be comprised of all monies appropriated, donated, or otherwise made available to provide funding for the provisions of present law (La. Public Defender Act).

Proposed law retains present law and adds that the legislature annually is to appropriate sufficient funds for the purposes of present law (La. Public Defender Act). Proposed law further provides that funds appropriated pursuant to proposed law are to be distributed by the board among the district public defenders proportionally based upon the number of arrests annually in each judicial district.

Present law provides that monies in the fund are to be appropriated and used solely and exclusively to provide for the implementation of present law (La. Public Defender Act).

Proposed law retains present law and adds that not more than 15% of funds appropriated pursuant to proposed law may be used to defray any fees and expenses associated with the administration of the fund.

Effective August 1, 2016.

(Amends R.S. 15:167(B))