RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 306 (HB 285)

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<u>Existing law</u> provides that a volunteer reserve officer or deputy shall be covered under their own health insurance policy.

<u>New law</u> provides that any reserve police officer or deputy who volunteers for a municipal or parish law enforcement agency may be entitled to medical benefits pursuant to <u>existing</u> law if injured during the line of duty.

<u>New law</u> provides that a public entity may elect to provide coverage for volunteer reserve police officers or deputies by using its own funds and at its own discretion.

<u>New law</u> provides that the injured reserve police officer or reserve deputy shall not be compensated for injuries occurring within the course of, or arising out of, the volunteer reserve officer's or deputy's other employment.

<u>New law</u> provides that the injured volunteer reserve officer or reserve deputy shall not be entitled to be compensated for lost wages.

<u>New law</u> defines the term "volunteer reserve officer" to mean an individual who is carried on the membership list of a municipal organization as an active participant in the normal functions of the law enforcement organization.

<u>New law</u> defines the term "volunteer reserve deputy" as an individual who is a part-time, non-salaried, fully-commissioned law enforcement officer who volunteers with a parish organization.

Effective August 1, 2019.

(Adds R.S. 23:1036.1)