

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 135

BY REPRESENTATIVE BROSSETT

SUPPLEMENTAL PAY: Increases state supplemental pay for firefighters and certain law enforcement officers

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 33:2002(A)(1) and (4)(a), 2218.2(A)(1) and (2)(a), 2218.8(B)
3 and (G), and 2218.10, relative to supplemental pay for firemen, police officers, law
4 enforcement officers of certain state agencies and political subdivisions, deputy
5 sheriffs, and full-time deputy sheriffs employed as field representatives or process
6 servers, harbor police, bridge police, fireboat employees, and certain tribal officers
7 and firemen; to increase such supplemental pay; to provide for extra compensation
8 for certain commissioned law enforcement officers of certain state agencies, to
9 provide for extra compensation for certain harbor police officers, fireboat operators,
10 certain tribal officers, and bridge police officers employed by the state; to provide
11 for extra compensation for certain tribal firemen; to provide for effectiveness; and
12 to provide for related matters.

13 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

14 Section 1. R.S. 33:2002(A)(1) and (4)(a), 2218.2(A)(1) and (2)(a), 2218.8(B) and
15 (G), and 2218.10 are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

16 §2002. Extra compensation

17 A.(1) In addition to the compensation now paid by any municipality, parish,
18 fire protection district, or other political subdivision maintaining a fire department,
19 or by the Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana or the Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana,
20 hereinafter referred to as "tribe", or by any nonprofit corporation contracting with

1 any such political subdivision to provide fire protection services to every paid,
 2 regularly employed employee who is paid not less than three hundred dollars per
 3 month, not including supplemental pay, as distinguished from part-time employees
 4 and volunteers of such fire department, who are carried on the payroll of such fire
 5 department, and every employee as defined herein who is paid from funds of the
 6 parish or municipality or tribe obtained through lawfully adopted bond issues,
 7 lawfully assessed taxes, or other funds available for such purpose, either directly or
 8 through a board or commission set up by law or ordinance of the parish or
 9 municipality or tribe, shall be paid extra compensation by the state in the amount of
 10 ~~five~~ six hundred dollars per month for each such paid employee who has completed
 11 or who hereafter completes one year of service. The provisions of Paragraph (5) of
 12 this Subsection shall govern the requirements for length of service for employees
 13 who were ordered to active military duty in the armed services of the United States
 14 during their initial term of employment.

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16 (4)(a) Every fire protection officer who is employed on a full-time basis by
 17 a port authority headquartered in the city of New Orleans shall be paid by the state
 18 extra compensation in the amount of ~~five~~ six hundred dollars per month in addition
 19 to the compensation now paid to him by his employer out of self-generated revenue
 20 attributable to the agency employing such fire protection officers. To be eligible for
 21 the extra compensation, each such fire protection officer shall have completed one
 22 year of service, and any such fire protection officer hired after March 31, 1986, shall
 23 also have completed and passed a certified fireman's training program equal to
 24 National Fire Protection Association Standard 1001 Firefighter I Certification or a
 25 firemen's training program as approved by the Louisiana State University Firemen
 26 Training Program in accordance with R.S. 40:1541 et seq., or other state or federally
 27 approved maritime firefighter training program.

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1 §2218.2. Rate of compensation; prior service; supplemental monthly compensation;
2 police to receive additional compensation

3 A.(1) In addition to the compensation now paid by any municipality included
4 in this Subpart or by the Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana, the Coushatta Tribe of
5 Louisiana, or the Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana, hereinafter referred to as "tribe"
6 or "tribal", to any police officer, every police officer employed by any municipality
7 or tribe which employs one or more police officers who devotes his full working
8 time to law enforcement, and for those hired after March 31, 1986, who have
9 completed and passed a council-certified training program as provided in R.S.
10 40:2405, shall be paid by the state extra compensation in the amount of ~~five~~ six
11 hundred dollars per month for each full-time municipal or tribal law enforcement
12 officer who has completed or who hereafter completes one year of service.

13 (2)(a) Every sworn, commissioned law enforcement officer employed on a
14 full-time basis by a bona fide police agency of the state or its political subdivisions,
15 other than the Department of Public Safety and Corrections and the Department of
16 Wildlife and Fisheries, and headquartered in the city of New Orleans and who serves
17 the welfare of the public in the capacity of a police officer by providing police
18 services to the general public through effecting arrests, issuing citations, and serving
19 warrants while patrolling levees, waterways, and riverfront areas, or while patrolling
20 bridges that are within the boundaries of the city of New Orleans, shall be paid by
21 the state extra compensation in the amount of ~~five~~ six hundred dollars per month in
22 addition to the compensation now paid to him by his employer out of self-generated
23 revenue attributable to the agency employing such officers. To be eligible for the
24 extra compensation, each such law enforcement officer shall have completed one
25 year of service, and any such law enforcement officer hired after March 31, 1986,
26 shall also have completed and passed a council-certified training program, as
27 provided in R.S. 40:2405.

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1 §2218.8. Extra compensation for commissioned full-time deputy sheriffs of all
2 parishes

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4 B. Out of the funds appropriated by the legislature for the payment of the
5 extra compensation provided by Subsection A of this Section, there shall be
6 distributed to the sheriff of each parish monthly to pay additional compensation for
7 full-time commissioned deputy sheriffs, and for those hired after March 31, 1986,
8 who have completed and passed a council-approved training program as provided
9 in R.S. 40:2405 and who are paid a salary of not less than three hundred fifty dollars
10 per month, the amount of ~~five~~ six hundred dollars per month for each full-time
11 commissioned deputy sheriff at the completion of one year of service.

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13 G. Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsections A and B of this Section,
14 any full-time deputy sheriff employed as a field representative or process server and
15 who is paid a salary of not less than three hundred fifty dollars per month shall be
16 entitled to receive extra compensation in the amount of ~~five~~ six hundred dollars per
17 month at the completion of one year of service. However, to be eligible for such
18 extra compensation, a field representative or process server shall have completed and
19 passed a council-approved training program as provided in R.S. 40:2405.

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21 §2218.10. Extra compensation for commissioned full-time harbor police, fireboat
22 personnel, and bridge police

23 In addition to the compensation now paid to any harbor police officer,
24 fireboat operator, and bridge police officer, every harbor police officer, fireboat
25 employee, and bridge police officer who is a full-time employee and who is paid a
26 salary of not less than eight hundred dollars per month and who has completed and
27 passed a post-certified training program as provided in R.S. 40:2405 and who has
28 completed or who hereafter completes one year of service shall be paid by the state
29 extra compensation in the amount of ~~five~~ six hundred dollars per month. The

1 provisions of this Section shall only apply to employees of a political subdivision of
2 the state.

3 Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2014; if vetoed by the governor
4 and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on July 1,
5 2014, or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is later.

DIGEST

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Brossett

HB No. 135

Abstract: Increases state supplemental pay for certain firemen and law enforcement personnel from \$500 per month to \$600 per month.

Present law provides for the payment of state supplemental pay of \$500 per month for firemen of certain political subdivisions which maintain a fire department, and the Chitimacha or Coushatta Tribes of La., and any nonprofit corporation contracting with a political subdivision to provide fire protection services. In order to receive state supplemental pay, firemen must meet specific eligibility requirements provided for in present law.

Proposed law increases such supplemental pay from \$500 per month to \$600 per month.

Present law provides for the payment of compensation of \$500 per month for every fire protection officer employed on a full-time basis by a port authority headquartered in the city of New Orleans. In order to receive extra compensation, the fire protection officer must meet specific eligibility requirements provided for in present law.

Proposed law increases the extra compensation from \$500 per month to \$600 per month.

Present law provides for the payment of extra compensation of \$500 per month for law enforcement officers of municipalities or the Chitimacha, Coushatta, or Tunica-Biloxi Tribes of La. In order to receive extra compensation, the law enforcement officer must meet specific eligibility requirements provided for in present law.

Proposed law increases the extra compensation from \$500 per month to \$600 per month.

Present law provides for the payment of extra compensation of \$500 per month for commissioned law enforcement officers employed by state or local law enforcement agencies other than the DPS&C and the DWF headquartered in the city of New Orleans. In order to receive extra compensation, the law enforcement officer must meet specific eligibility requirements provided for in present law.

Proposed law increases the extra compensation from \$500 per month to \$600 per month.

Present law provides for the payment of extra compensation of \$500 per month for deputy sheriffs, field representatives, or process servers. In order to receive extra compensation, the deputy sheriff, field representative, or process server must meet specific eligibility requirements provided for in present law.

Proposed law increases the extra compensation from \$500 per month to \$600 per month.

Present law provides for the payment of extra compensation of \$500 per month for harbor police officers, fireboat operators, and bridge police officers. In order to receive extra compensation, the harbor police officers, fireboat operators, and bridge police officers must meet specific eligibility requirements provided for in present law.

Proposed law increases the state extra compensation from \$500 per month to \$600 per month.

(Amends R.S. 33:2002(A)(1) and (4)(a), 2218.2(A)(1) and (2)(a), 2218.8(B) and (G), and 2218.10)