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HOUSE BILL NO. 20

BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHAMERHORN

RETIREMENT BENEFITS: (Constitutional Amendment) Provides relative to the retirement and insurance benefits of elected officials

1	A JOINT RESOLUTION
2	Proposing to add Article X, Section 23.1 of the Constitution of Louisiana, to prohibit the use
3	of public funds to pay retirement plan contributions and insurance premiums of
4	elected public officials; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the
5	electors; and to provide for related matters.
6	Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
7	as provided by Article X, Section 29(C) of the Constitution
8	of Louisiana.
9	Section 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of Louisiana, two-thirds of the members
10	elected to each house concurring, that there shall be submitted to the electors of the state of
11	Louisiana, for their approval or rejection in the manner provided by law, a proposal to add
12	Article X, Section 23.1 of the Constitution of Louisiana, to read as follows:
13	§23.1. Use of Public Funds for Elected Public Officials; Prohibition
14	Section 23.1. No public funds of the state or of any political subdivision may
15	be used to pay either of the following for or on behalf of an elected public official
16	who is elected to office after January 1, 2021:
17	(1) Contributions to any retirement system, plan, or fund.
18	(2) Payment of life or health insurance premiums.

1 Section 2. Be it further resolved that this proposed amendment shall be submitted 2 to the electors of the state of Louisiana at the statewide election to be held on November 3, 3 2020. 4 Section 3. Be it further resolved that on the official ballot to be used at the election, there shall be printed a proposition, upon which the electors of the state shall be permitted 5 6 to vote YES or NO, to amend the Constitution of Louisiana, which proposition shall read as 7 follows: 8 Do you support an amendment to prohibit the use of public funds to pay for 9 retirement contributions and insurance premiums for elected officials? (Adds 10 Article X, Section 23.1)

DIGEST

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<u>Proposed constitutional amendment</u> prohibits the use of state and local public funds to pay for retirement contributions and life and health insurance premiums of elected officials elected after Jan. 1, 2021.

Provides for submission of the proposed amendment to the voters at the statewide election to be held Nov. 3, 2020.

(Adds Const. Art. X, §23.1)