

Regular Session, 2012

HOUSE BILL NO. 27

BY REPRESENTATIVE ARNOLD

RETIREMENT/MUNICIPAL POL: Provides relative to retirement and payment of retirement benefits in the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 11:2220(H), relative to the Municipal Police Employees'  
3 Retirement System; to provide with respect to the effective date of applications for  
4 benefits; to provide with respect to payment of benefits; and to provide for related  
5 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 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

10 Section 1. R.S. 11:2220(H) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

11 §2220. Benefits; contribution limit

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13 H.(1) No application for benefits pursuant to a retirement authorized by this  
14 Section shall be effective prior to receipt of the application by the retirement system  
15 office. No such benefit shall be payable prior to termination of employment.

16 (2) The payment of benefits to or on behalf of a member shall commence not  
17 later than April first following the calendar year in which the member retires or  
18 attains age seventy and one-half years, whichever is later.

1           Section 2. This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2012; if vetoed by the governor  
2 and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become effective on July 1,  
3 2012, or on the day following such approval by the legislature, whichever is later.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Relative to the Municipal Police Employees' Retirement System (MPERS), provides relative to the effective date of an application for benefits and to commencement of payment of benefits.

Present law provides relative to eligibility for retirement and payment of retirement benefits applicable to MPERS. Provides that the payment of benefits to or on behalf of a member shall commence not later than April 1 following the calendar year in which the member retires or attains age 70-1/2 years, whichever is later. Proposed law provides that an application for benefits shall not be effective prior to receipt of the application by the system office and provides that benefits are not payable prior to termination of employment.

Effective July 1, 2012.

(Amends R.S. 11:2220(H))