

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 281

BY REPRESENTATIVE HILL

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

INSURANCE/GROUP-SHERIFFS: Provides relative to the payment of group insurance premiums for retired sheriffs and deputy sheriffs hired on or after July 1, 2015, for Allen Parish

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 13:5554(EE), relative to the premium costs of group insurance for retired  
3 sheriffs and deputy sheriffs of the Allen Parish Sheriff's Office; to provide for  
4 eligibility for payment of such costs for retired sheriffs and retired deputy sheriffs  
5 of the Allen Parish Sheriff's Office; to provide for effective dates; and to provide for  
6 related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. R.S. 13:5554(EE) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

9 §5554. Group insurance; kinds; amounts; subrogation

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11 EE. Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection D of this Section, the  
12 Allen Parish Sheriff's Office shall pay the premium costs of group and the first ten  
13 thousand dollars of life insurance out of the sheriff's general fund for any retired  
14 sheriff and any retired deputy sheriff who was hired on or after July 1, 2015, and  
15 retired from the Allen Parish Sheriff's Office as follows:

16 (1) Fifty percent of the premium costs of group insurance for health, vision,  
17 and dental for any sheriff or deputy sheriff who retires from the Allen Parish  
18 Sheriff's Office with fifteen years of full-time continuous service with the Allen  
19 Parish Sheriff's Office and is at least fifty-five years of age.

1           (2) Seventy percent of the premium costs of group insurance for health,  
 2           vision, and dental for any sheriff or deputy sheriff who retires from the Allen Parish  
 3           Sheriff's Office with twenty years of full-time continuous service with the Allen  
 4           Parish Sheriff's Office and is at least fifty-five years of age.

5           (3) One hundred percent of the premium costs of group insurance for health,  
 6           vision, and dental for any sheriff or deputy sheriff who retires from the Allen Parish  
 7           Sheriff's Office with twenty-five years of creditable service with the Louisiana  
 8           Sheriff's Pension and Relief Fund and is a least fifty-five years of age.

9           (4) One hundred percent of the premium costs of group insurance for health,  
 10          vision, and dental for any sheriff or deputy sheriff who retires from the Allen Parish  
 11          Sheriff's Office with thirty years of creditable service with the Louisiana Sheriff's  
 12          Pension and Relief Fund regardless of age.

13          (5) The provisions of Paragraph (G)(1) of this Section shall apply to all  
 14          persons hired by the Allen Parish Sheriff's Office prior to July 1, 2015.

#### DIGEST

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HB 281 Engrossed

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**Abstract:** Provides relative to the payment of group and life insurance premiums for retired sheriffs and deputy sheriffs hired on or after July 1, 2015, for Allen Parish Sheriff's Office.

Present law requires that 100% of the premium costs of group hospital, surgical, and medical expense insurance shall be paid from the sheriff's general fund for all sheriffs and deputy sheriffs who retire from the Allen Parish Sheriff's Office with at least 15 years of service who are at least 55 years of age or retired with at least 30 years of service at any age.

Proposed law retains present law for those sheriffs and deputy sheriffs who retire prior to July 1, 2015.

Proposed law requires, for all sheriffs and deputy sheriffs who retire from the Allen Parish Sheriff's Office on or after July 1, 2015, that premium costs of group health, vision, and dental and the first \$10,000 of life insurance shall be paid from the sheriff's general fund as follows:

- (1) 50% of the premium cost paid with 15 years of continuous service and at least 55 years of age.

- (2) 70% of the premium cost paid with at least 20 years of service and at least 55 years of age.
- (3) 100% of the premium cost paid with at least 25 years of credible service with the Louisiana Sheriff's Pension and Relief Fund and at least 55 years of age.
- (4) 100% of the premium cost paid with at least 30 years of credible service with the Louisiana Sheriff's Pension and Relief Fund regardless of age.

(Adds R.S. 13:5554(EE))