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HOUSE BILL NO. 514

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BY REPRESENTATIVES GUILLORY, FOIL, AND ST. GERMAIN

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

INSURANCE: Provides for funding for facility enhancement of the Fire and Emergency Training Institute at Louisiana State University

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 22:347(A)(3), relative to the disposition of monies in the Two
3	Percent Fire Insurance Fund; to provide for allocation of monies in the fund to the
4	Fire and Emergency Training Institute at Louisiana State University; and to provide
5	for related matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. R.S. 22:347(A)(3) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
8	§347. Disposition of tax money
9	A. Monies collected under R.S. 22:342 through 349, after being first credited
10	to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund in accordance with Article VII, Section
11	9 (B) of the Constitution of Louisiana, shall be credited to a special fund hereby
12	established in the state treasury and known as the "Two Percent Fire Insurance Fund"
13	hereinafter the "fund". Monies in the fund shall be available in amounts appropriated
14	annually by the legislature for the following purposes in the following order of
15	priority:
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17	(3)(a) For the Fire and Emergency Training Institute at Louisiana State
18	University at Baton Rouge, the sum of seventy thousand dollars per year for support
19	of the firefighter training program.

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University at Baton Rouge, the sum of eight hundred thousand dollars per year to
the Bonds Department of the Facilities Enhancement Project, subject to approval of
the Facilities Enhancement Project by the executive board of the Louisiana State
Firemens Association. Monies shall be allocated annually for a period of twelve and
one-half years or until a total sum of ten million dollars has been allocated.

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DIGEST

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Guillory HB No. 514

Abstract: Allocates monies from the Two Percent Fire Insurance Fund to the Bonds Department of the Fire and Emergency Training Institute at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the 2% tax on fire insurance premiums be credited to a special fund in the state treasury known as the Two Percent Fire Insurance Fund (the fund). Further provides that monies in the fund be available in amounts appropriated annually by the legislature for specific purposes in the following order of priority:

- (1) The purchase of group insurance for firefighters.
- \$70,000 per year to the Pine County Education Center in Webster Parish to develop and operate a firefighter training center operated in accordance with the standards and requirements of the Fire and Emergency Training Institute at LSU (the institute). Monies are appropriated for the institute and transferred without cost or fee to the Education Center.
- (3) \$70,000 per year to the Delgado Community College to develop and operate a firefighter training center operated in accordance with the standards and requirements of the Fire and Emergency Training Institute at LSU (the institute). Monies are appropriated for the institute and transferred without cost or fee to the Education Center.
- (4) \$70,000 per year to the Fire and Emergency Center at LSU for support of the firefighter training program.
- (5) An amount to each parish governing authority, except in Orleans Parish, to be allocated to each fire department within the parish.
- (6) In Orleans Parish, to the city's Firefighter's Pension and Relief Fund.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds to priority (4) of <u>present law</u> \$800,000 per year to the Fire and Emergency Center at LSU for its Facility Enhancement Project, subject to approval of the Facility Enhancement Project by the executive board of the Louisiana State Firemens

Association. The \$800,000 will be allocated annually or until it reaches a cap of \$10,000,000. Otherwise retains <u>present law</u>.

(Amends R.S. 22:347(A)(3))