

Regular Session, 2012

HOUSE BILL NO. 723

BY REPRESENTATIVE BURRELL

BUDGETARY PROCEDURES: Provides for authorized positions in the executive budget and appropriations bills

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 39:2(5), relative to public finance; to provide for the definition  
3 of positions contained in appropriations bills; and to provide for related matters.

4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

5 Section 1. R.S. 39:2(5) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

6 §2. Definitions

7 As used in this Chapter, except where the context clearly requires otherwise,  
8 the words and expressions defined in this Section shall be held to have the meanings  
9 here given to them.

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11 (5)(a) "Authorized positions" means the number of authorized salary  
12 positions and authorized other positions contained in an appropriation bill. The  
13 number may be adjusted during a fiscal year in accordance with procedures provided  
14 by law.

15 (b) "Authorized salary positions" means the number of positions approved  
16 by the legislature in an appropriation bill to be funded by the salaries continuing  
17 category of the accounting system for the state. The number may be adjusted during  
18 a fiscal year in accordance with procedures provided by law.

19 (c) "Authorized other positions" means the number of state employees in an  
20 appropriation bill to be funded by a category other than the salaries continuing

1 category of the accounting system for the state. The number may be adjusted during  
2 a fiscal year in accordance with law.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Broadens the definition of authorized positions in provisions of law dealing with the executive budget and appropriation bills.

Present law defines "authorized positions" as the number of positions approved by the legislature in an appropriation bill to be funded by the "salaries continuing category" of the accounting system for the state. Further provides that the number may be adjusted during a fiscal year in accordance with law.

Proposed law defines "authorized positions" as the number of authorized other positions and authorized salary positions contained in an appropriation bill. Proposed law defines "authorized salary positions" as the number of positions approved by the legislature in an appropriation bill to be funded by the salaries continuing category of the accounting system for the state. Defines "authorized other positions" as the number of state employees in an appropriation bill to be funded by a category other than the salaries continuing category of the accounting system for the state. Proposed law provides that each number of positions may be adjusted during a fiscal year in accordance with the procedures provided by law.

(Amends R.S. 39:2(5))