Regular Session, 2010

HOUSE BILL NO. 866

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFONTA

## APPROPRIATIONS: Provides for appropriations for parish councils on aging

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 46:1606(A) and (B)(1) as amended by Act No. 344 of the 2007
3	Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to the office of elderly affairs; to increase
4	the appropriation to each parish council on aging; and to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 46:1606(A) and (B)(1) as amended by Act No. 344 of the 2007
7	Regular Session of the Legislature are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
8	§1606. Annual appropriation
9	A. The legislature shall appropriate to the office of elderly affairs, for
10	distribution by the executive director of the office to the various voluntary parish
11	councils on aging, funds sufficient to allocate to each parish council two dollars and
12	fifty cents ten dollars for each person sixty years or older who is a resident of the
13	parish as shown by the latest official census estimate or thirty-seven thousand five
14	hundred one hundred thousand dollars, whichever is greater, but not to exceed one
15	hundred three hundred fifty thousand dollars to any one parish council. The office
16	of elderly affairs shall include funds in their annual budget request for increases in
17	funding based on the number of elderly as estimated in the above census.
18	Notwithstanding the foregoing, such total annual appropriation shall be for a
19	minimum of two million seven hundred seventy-six thousand eight hundred eight
20	million eight hundred sixty-eight thousand six hundred and fifty-eight dollars. Such

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funding shall be evaluated and adjusted annually according to the Consumer Price
Index.

3 B.(1) Funds appropriated by the legislature pursuant to Subsection A of this 4 Section shall be distributed by the executive director of the office of elderly affairs 5 and shall be allocated to each parish council in an amount equal to two dollars and fifty cents ten dollars for each resident of the parish age sixty years or older, as 6 7 shown by the latest official estimate approved by the United States Bureau of the 8 Census, or thirty-seven thousand five hundred one hundred thousand dollars, 9 whichever is greater, but not to exceed one hundred three hundred fifty thousand 10 dollars for any one parish council. The sums so allocated shall be distributed quarterly during the first thirty days of each quarter of the fiscal year. 11 In 12 appropriating funds pursuant to this Section, the legislature shall specifically provide 13 for the allocation of funds to the respective parish councils in accordance with the 14 provisions of this Section. 15

## DIGEST

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## LaFonta

HB No. 866

**Abstract:** Increases the appropriations to the governor's office of elderly affairs for distribution to each parish council on aging.

<u>Present law</u> requires an appropriation to the office of elderly affairs to be distributed to each parish council on aging consisting of an allocation of \$2.50 for each person age 60 and older who is a resident of the parish or \$12,500, whichever is greater, but not to exceed \$100,000 to any one parish council. The total annual appropriation cannot be for an amount less than \$2,726,800.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes <u>present law</u> to require an appropriation to the office of elderly affairs to be distributed to each parish council on aging consisting of an allocation of \$10 for each person age 60 and older who is a resident of the parish or \$100,000, whichever is greater, but not to exceed \$350,000 to any one parish council. The total annual appropriation cannot be for an amount less than \$8,868,058. <u>Proposed law</u> further provides for funding to be evaluated and adjusted annually according to the Consumer Price Index.

<u>Present law</u> requires that funds appropriated to the office of elderly affairs be allocated to each parish council in an amount equal to \$2.50 for each resident of the parish 60 years of

age or older, or \$37,500, whichever is greater, but not to exceed \$100,000 for any parish council.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes <u>present law</u> to require that funds appropriated to the office of elderly affairs be allocated to each parish council in an amount equal to \$10 for each resident of the parish 60 years of age or older, or \$100,000, whichever is greater, but not to exceed \$350,000 for any parish council.

(Amends R.S. 46:1606(A) and (B)(1))