

SENATE BILL NO. 2

BY SENATOR GUILLORY

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 11:186, relative to state and statewide retirement systems; to provide relative
3 to meetings of system boards of trustees; to provide for representation during
4 executive sessions of the boards and committees of such systems; to provide for
5 written authorization; to provide restrictions; to provide an effective date; and to
6 provide for related matters.

7 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 11:186 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 **§186. Authorization for staff to attend executive sessions**

11 **A. As ex officio members of each of the state and statewide retirement**
12 **system boards, the chairman of the House Committee on Retirement and the**
13 **chairman of the Senate Committee on Retirement may each independently**
14 **authorize legislative staff to attend any executive session of any board meeting**
15 **or committee meeting of any state or statewide retirement system board or**
16 **committee.**

17 **B.(1) An authorization made pursuant to the provisions of this Section**
18 **shall be made in writing, specifically name the legislative staff member or**
19 **members authorized to attend such executive sessions, and be submitted to the**
20 **director of the state or statewide retirement system board whose executive**
21 **sessions staff shall be authorized to attend. Such authorization shall be valid for**
22 **one calendar year from the date of submission, unless modified or revoked as**
23 **provided in Paragraph (2) of this Subsection.**

1 (2) The chairman of the House Committee on Retirement and the
 2 chairman of the Senate Committee on Retirement are authorized to revoke or
 3 modify any written authorization made pursuant to this Section at any time by
 4 providing written notice to the director of the affected board. A revocation
 5 shall immediately terminate the authorization made pursuant to this Section.
 6 A modification shall act as a new written authorization and shall be valid for
 7 one calendar year from the date submitted.

8 C. Any information or communication which, pursuant to the provisions
 9 of this Section, is provided to or presented in the presence of authorized staff
 10 shall be subject to the same rights, duties, and privileges which apply to the
 11 chairmen as members of the board, including the attorney-client privilege.

12 D. A legislative staff member authorized to attend meetings pursuant to
 13 the provisions of this Section shall not be considered a "designee" as provided
 14 in R.S. 11:181 or R.S. 42:1124.2.1 and shall not be allowed to vote.

15 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
 16 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
 17 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
 18 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
 19 effective on the day following such approval.

 PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

 SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

 GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____