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## DIGEST

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HB No. 477

**Abstract:** Repeals the Office of Group Benefits eligibility for retirees elected to school board positions.

Present law authorizes parish or city school boards, BESE, and other boards of control of publicly supported educational institutions to enter into contracts for group medical, surgical, and hospital benefits and services for its employees, including superintendents of schools and members of the school board. The parish or city school boards or other boards of control may agree to pay part or all of the premiums or charges for any such contracts out of any funds appropriated for the purpose and included in the budgets of the parish or city school boards and institutions.

Proposed law retains present law but removes retirees elected to school board positions from the definition of "members of the school board" who are eligible under present law.

(Adds R.S. 17:1223(A)(5))