

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 180

BY REPRESENTATIVE CREWS

INSURANCE/GROUP-STATE: Provides relative to the amount of life insurance coverage available to state employees through the Office of Group Benefits

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 42:821(A)(7), relative to life insurance coverage available through the Office  
3 of Group Benefits; to provide relative to the amount of coverage available; to  
4 provide relative to the state's contribution to premiums for such insurance; and to  
5 provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 42:821(A)(7) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §821. Authority for employee benefit programs; payment of premiums out of  
9 appropriated funds

10 A.

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12 (7) The Office of Group Benefits shall not set, directly or by contract, a  
13 maximum on the amount of life insurance coverage an employee, official, or  
14 department head may purchase at the applicable group premium rates; however, the  
15 state contribution required by Subparagraph (1)(c) of this Subsection applies only to  
16 the first fifty thousand dollars of life insurance coverage purchased by the employee,  
17 official, or department head.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides relative to the amount of life insurance coverage available to employees through life insurance made available by the Office of Group Benefits (OGB).

Present law authorizes the state, through OGB, and other state and local governmental entities to procure private contracts of group life insurance for their employees or to operate a self-funded life insurance program.

Present law requires the state to contribute not less than 50% of the total premium.

Proposed law provides that OGB shall not set a maximum on the amount of life insurance coverage an employee may purchase at the applicable group premium rates. However proposed law provides that the present law requirement that the state contribute not less than 50% of the premium applies only to the first \$50,000 of life insurance coverage purchased by the employee.

(Adds R.S. 42:821(A)(7))