

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 583

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ASSESSORS: Requires the Livingston Parish assessor to pay the cost of certain insurance premiums for eligible retirees of the assessor's office

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:1923(D)(3), relative to the Livingston Parish assessor; to require the
3 payment of certain group insurance premiums for retirees of the assessor's office; to
4 establish retiree eligibility criteria; and to provide for related matters.

5 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
6 as provided by Article III, Section 13 of the Constitution of
7 Louisiana.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

9 Section 1. R.S. 47:1923(D)(3) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 §1923. Authority for assessors separately or jointly to contract for insurance;
11 payment of premiums

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15 (3)(a) In Livingston Parish, the assessor shall pay the premium cost of group
16 life, dental, group health, hospital, surgical, or other medical insurance for any
17 assessor or assessor's employee who meets the requirements of Subparagraph (b) of
18 this Paragraph. A uniform policy with respect to the payment of the cost of such
19 premium shall be formulated and applied by the Livingston Parish assessor.

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- 1 **(b) Either of the following requirements shall be met for eligibility for the**
 2 **assessor's payment of premium costs as provided in Subparagraph (a) of this**
 3 **Paragraph:**
- 4 **(i) The assessor or assessor's employee was elected, appointed, or hired**
 5 **before August 1, 2014, and retires in accordance with the provisions of R.S.11:1421**
 6 **with at least twenty years of service.**
- 7 **(ii) The assessor or assessor's employee was elected, appointed, or hired on**
 8 **or after August 1, 2014, and retires in accordance with the provisions of R.S.**
 9 **11:1421 with at least twenty years of service. At least twelve years of service shall**
 10 **have been earned at the Livingston Parish assessor's office. For purposes of this**
 11 **Item, the twelve years of service required for eligibility for receipt of benefits**
 12 **provided for in this Paragraph shall not include any service that was earned**
 13 **elsewhere and transferred for credit with the Livingston Parish assessor's office.**

DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires the Livingston Parish assessor to pay the cost of certain group insurance premiums for retirees of the assessor's office who meet certain eligibility criteria.

Present law provides with respect to eligibility for normal retirement benefits from the Assessors' Retirement Fund. Persons hired on or before Sept. 30, 2013, may retire with at least 12 years of service if they are at least 55 years of age, or with at least 30 years of service at any age. Persons hired on or after Oct. 1, 2013, may retire with at least 12 years of service if they are at least 60 years of age, or with at least 30 years of service if they are at least 55 years of age.

Proposed law requires the Livingston Parish assessor to pay the premium cost of group life, dental, health, and other insurance (insurance premium cost) for a retired assessor or assessor's employee (retiree) who is elected, appointed, or hired before Aug. 1, 2014, who retires with at least 20 years of service and who is at least 55 years of age, or with at least 30 years of service at any age. Retirees elected, appointed, or hired on or after Aug. 1, 2014, must retire with at least 20 years of service must be eligible for normal retirement benefits from the Assessors' Retirement Fund. Twelve of the 20 years of service must be earned with the Livingston Parish assessor's office.

Proposed law requires the Livingston Parish assessor to develop a uniform policy with respect to the payment of insurance premium costs.

(Adds R.S. 47:1923(D)(3))