

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 66

BY REPRESENTATIVE MONToucET

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS: Requires state-affiliated physicians to serve on the State Medical Disability Board upon request of the Firefighters' Retirement System

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 11:219(C) and R.S. 17:1519.17.1, relative to the State Medical Disability
3 Board; to require physicians affiliated with a state hospital or medical clinic to serve
4 on the State Medical Disability Board upon request of the Firefighters' Retirement
5 System; to provide conditions for physician affiliation with a Louisiana State
6 University Health Sciences Center; to provide for validity of certain requests to
7 physicians for service on the State Medical Disability Board; and to provide for
8 related matters.

9 Notice of intention to introduce this Act has been published
10 as provided by Article X, Section 29(C) of the Constitution
11 of Louisiana.

12 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

13 Section 1. R.S. 11:219(C) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

14 §219. State Medical Disability Board

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16 C. Each state-affiliated physician as defined in R.S. 17:1519.17.1 is required
17 to serve on the State Medical Disability Board upon request of the Firefighters'
18 Retirement System. No such request shall be valid unless it is submitted in writing
19 to the physician and is signed by the chairman of the board of trustees of the
20 Firefighters' Retirement System.

1 Section 2. R.S. 17:1519.17.1 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

2 §1519.17.1. Physicians of Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center
3 medical centers and clinics; conditional requirement to serve on State
4 Medical Disability Board

5 A. For purposes of this Section, "state-affiliated physician" means any
6 physician licensed to practice medicine by the Louisiana State Board of Medical
7 Examiners who meets either of the following criteria:

8 (1) Is a member of the faculty of an LSU Health Sciences Center.

9 (2) Has admitting privileges or regularly engages in the practice of medicine
10 at any hospital or medical clinic of an LSU Health Sciences Center medical center
11 and is employed by either of the following:

12 (a) The state of Louisiana.

13 (b) A private entity operating an LSU Health Sciences Center medical center
14 through a cooperative endeavor agreement or other contractual arrangement with the
15 state of Louisiana.

16 B. As a condition of his affiliation with an LSU Health Sciences Center, each
17 state-affiliated physician is hereby required to serve on the State Medical Disability
18 Board pursuant to receipt of a request for such service that conforms with the
19 provisions of R.S. 11:219(C).

20 Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
21 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
22 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
23 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
24 effective on the day following such approval.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires physicians affiliated with LSU Health Sciences Centers to serve on the State Medical Disability Board upon request of the Firefighters' Retirement System.

Proposed law provides that for the purposes of proposed law, "state-affiliated physician" means any physician licensed to practice medicine by the La. State Board of Medical Examiners who meets either of the following criteria:

- (1) Is a member of the faculty of an LSU Health Sciences Center.
- (2) Has admitting privileges or regularly engages in the practice of medicine at any hospital or medical clinic of an LSU Health Sciences Center medical center and is employed by either of the following:
 - (a) The state of Louisiana.
 - (b) A private entity operating an LSU Health Sciences Center medical center through a cooperative endeavor agreement or other contractual arrangement with the state of Louisiana.

Proposed law requires state-affiliated physicians to serve on the State Medical Disability Board if requested to do so by the Firefighters' Retirement System (FRS), and makes such service a condition of the physician's affiliation with an LSU Health Sciences Center. Provides that in order to be valid, any such request to a physician by FRS must be in writing and signed by the chairman of the FRS board of trustees.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 11:219(C) and R.S. 17:1519.17.1)