

Regular Session, 2007

HOUSE BILL NO. 489

BY REPRESENTATIVES TOOMY AND SALTER

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

ELECTED OFFICIALS/COMP: Provides for the salaries of the statewide elected officials

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 36:10, relative to the salaries of certain elected officials; to
3 provide for the salaries of the statewide elected officials; to provide for effectiveness;
4 and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 36:10 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §10. Statewide elected officials; salary

8 A. The salary of the governor shall be ~~ninety-five~~ one hundred
9 thirty thousand dollars, ~~shall be payable monthly upon his own warrant, and shall not~~
10 ~~be increased except by Act of the legislature.~~

11 B. The salary of each statewide elected official, except the governor, shall
12 be ~~equal to the salary received by the chief justice of the state supreme court as of~~
13 ~~October 1, 1995~~ one hundred fifteen thousand dollars, payable monthly upon the
14 statewide elected official's own warrant.

15 Section 2. The increases in the salary of the governor and of the other statewide
16 elected officials provided in Section 1 of this Act shall be paid out of the existing funds
17 budgeted to each such official's respective office or department, as the case may be, and no
18 additional funds shall be requested or appropriated to pay for such increases.

19 Section 3. The provisions of this Act shall become effective at noon on January 14,
20 2008, provided that public elementary and secondary school teachers in Louisiana and that

1 state employees receive an increase in salary prior to noon on January 14, 2008. If the
2 public elementary and secondary school teachers and state employees do not receive an
3 increase in salary prior to noon on January 14, 2008, the provisions of this Act shall be null,
4 void, and of no effect.

5 Section 4. The provisions of this Act shall become effective only if and when the
6 Homeowner Assistance program portion of the Road Home Program is fully funded.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Increases the salary of the governor from \$95,000 to \$130,000 and the salary of the other statewide elected officials from \$85,000 to \$115,000, effective at noon on Jan. 14, 2008, provided that public elementary and secondary school teachers and state employees receive an increase in salary prior to such time and provided that the Homeowner Assistance program portion of the Road Home program is fully funded.

Present law (R.S. 36:10) provides that the salary of the governor shall be \$95,000, and such salary shall be payable monthly upon the governor's own warrant and shall not be increased except by act of the legislature. Present law provides that the salary of each statewide elected official, except the governor, shall be equal to the salary of the chief justice of the state supreme court as of Oct. 1, 1995, (\$85,000), payable monthly upon the statewide elected official's own warrant.

Proposed law provides instead that the salary of the governor shall be \$130,000, payable monthly upon the governor's own warrant. Proposed law additionally provides that the salary of each statewide elected official, except the governor, shall be \$115,000, payable monthly upon the statewide elected official's own warrant.

Proposed law specifies that the increases in the salary of the governor and of the other statewide elected officials provided by proposed law shall be paid out of the existing funds budgeted to each such official's respective office or department and that no additional funds shall be requested or appropriated to pay for such increases.

Effective at noon on Jan. 14, 2008, provided that public elementary and secondary school teachers in Louisiana and state employees receive an increase in salary prior to such time. Proposed law further provides that if the public elementary and secondary school teachers and state employees do not receive an increase in salary prior to noon on Jan. 14, 2008, the provisions of proposed law shall be null, void, and of no effect. Proposed law further provides that proposed law shall become effective only if and when the Homeowner Assistance program portion of the Road Home Program is fully funded.

(Amends R.S. 36:10)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to the original bill.

1. Specifies that the salary increases provided in proposed law shall be paid out of the existing funds budgeted to each official's respective office or department and no additional funds shall be requested or appropriated to pay for such increases.
2. Provides that proposed law only becomes effective at noon on Jan. 14, 2008, if public elementary and secondary school teachers and state employees receive an increase in salary prior to such time and provides that if such teachers and employees do not receive a salary increase prior to such time, the provisions of proposed law are null, void, and of no effect.

House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill.

1. Further provides that proposed law shall become effective only if and when the Homeowner Assistance program portion of the Road Home Program is fully funded.