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**Abstract:** Authorizes an increase in attorney fees that may be charged by an attorney employed by the secretary of the Dept. of Revenue for collection services from 10% to 25%.

Present law authorizes the secretary of the Dept. of Revenue to employ an attorney to assist in collecting taxes, penalties, or interest due or represent the department in any proceedings. Provides that private counsel may charge reasonable attorney fees and expenses not to exceed 10% of the taxes, penalties, and interest. Present law further authorizes an attorney employed by the secretary to collect on a delinquent account after final assessment to charge the taxpayer an additional charge for attorney fees in an amount not to exceed 10% of the taxes, penalties, and interest.

Proposed law retains present law except that it increases the authorized fees charged by the attorney from 10% to 25%.

(Amends R.S. 47:1512)