

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Prior law required information regarding the National Human Trafficking Resource Hotline to be posted in the following establishments:

- (1) Every massage parlor, spa, or hotel that has been found to be a public nuisance for prostitution.
- (2) Every strip club or other sexually-oriented business.
- (3) Every full service fuel facility adjacent to an interstate highway or highway rest stop.
- (4) Every outpatient abortion facility.

Prior law required the notice to be no smaller than eight and one-half inches by eleven inches, contain typed bold print in not less than 14 point font, and be printed in English, Louisiana French, Spanish, and any other languages the ATC commissioner requires.

Prior law imposed a penalty for each violation to be enforced by departments exercising regulatory control or authority over the establishments required to post the hotline information.

New law retained prior law and adds requirement that hotels post information of the National Human Trafficking Hotline in the same location where other employee notices required by law are posted.

New law defines "hotel" as any establishment, both public and private, engaged in the business of furnishing or providing rooms and overnight camping facilities intended or designed for dwelling, lodging, or sleeping purposes to transient guests and does not encompass any hospital, convalescent or nursing home or sanitarium, or any hotel-like facility operated by or in connection with a hospital or medical clinic providing rooms exclusively for patients and their families.

New law provides that the term "hotel" does not include any bed and breakfasts, or camp and retreat facilities owned and operated by certain nonprofit organizations exempt from federal income tax.

New law defines "bed and breakfast" as a lodging facility having no more than ten guest rooms where transient guests are fed and lodged for pay.

Effective August 1, 2016.

(Amends R.S. 15:541.1(A))