

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 211 (HB 295)

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New law provides for the creation of the magistrate judge of the 14th JDC, to be elected from election sections one and three combined. New law provides that the salary of this position shall be equal to 75 percent of the salary paid to judges of the 14th JDC. New law provides that the magistrate judge shall have jurisdiction over all criminal matters, except the adjudication of felony charges.

New law provides that the judgeship shall be established on Jan. 1, 2021, but allows candidates to qualify for office and participate in the regularly scheduled election in 2020. New law provides that the magistrate judge shall serve for a term of six years, the position shall be full-time, and the magistrate judge is prohibited from practicing law.

New law requires the magistrate judge to possess the same qualifications of a district court judge as outlined in La. Const. Art. V, §24.

Effective August 1, 2019.

(Adds R.S. 13:589)