

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Smith

Prior law provided relative to the Louisiana Fantasy Sports Contests Act.

Prior law provided definitions.

New law adds definition of "participation" or "participate" as meaning to pay an entry fee to a fantasy sports contest operator.

Prior law provided for the prohibition in certain parishes of fantasy sports contests. New law provides for the prohibition in certain parishes of participation in fantasy sports contests.

Prior law provided certain licensee requirements for fantasy sports contest operators, including that as a condition of licensure, a fantasy sports contest operator shall submit evidence to the board that the operator has established and will implement commercially reasonable procedures for fantasy sports contests with an entry fee and (1) provide that no winning outcome is based on the score, point spread, or any performance of any single real-world sports team or combination of such teams or solely on any single performance of an individual athlete or participant in any single real-world sporting event, and (2) ensure no participation in fantasy sports contests of athletes and individuals who participate in or officiate a game or competition that is a real-world sport or athletic event that is the subject of a fantasy sports contest.

New law revises prior law requirements to (1) provide that no winning outcome is based on the score, point spread, or any performance of any single real-world sports team or combination of such teams or solely on any single performance of an individual athlete or person engaged in any single real-world sporting event, and (2) ensure no participation in fantasy sports contests of athletes and individuals who engage in or officiate a game or competition that is a real-world sport or athletic event that is the subject of a fantasy sports contest.

Prior law provided that a fantasy sports contest operator shall not offer fantasy sports contests based on the performances of participants in high school or youth athletic events.

New law provides that a fantasy sports contest operator shall not offer fantasy sports contests based on the performances of athletes or persons that engage in high school or youth athletic events.

Effective upon signature of the governor (October 28, 2020).

(Amends R.S. 27:305, and 308(A)(3), (4)(a), and (B); adds R.S. 27:302(11))