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DIGEST

Shaw (SB 83)

Present law provides that sheriffs and ex officio tax collectors of the various parishes may accept payment by credit card for all traffic fines, criminal fines, occupational license fees, ad valorem taxes, bonds, and any other payment legally collected by a sheriff or tax collector.

Proposed law retains present law and adds electronic check as an acceptable means of payment.

Present law further provides that sheriffs or tax collectors shall collect a fee for processing the payments in an amount that is equal to the expense incurred by the sheriff or tax collector in processing the payment by credit card, not to exceed five percent of the amount to be collected plus any penalties or interest being paid.

Proposed law retains present law and adds that a similar processing fee shall be added for electronic checks.

Effective August 15, 2009.

(Amends R.S. 33:1423.1(A))