

Prior law permitted any sheriff having possession or control of cash bail bond which have been discharged and which remain unclaimed for more than three years or which belong to an owner who is unknown or who has not been heard from more than three years will be deposited into the general fund of the sheriff, and the sheriff will assume liability.

Prior law required the sheriffs in the parishes of Caddo, Plaquemines, East Baton Rouge, Bossier, and Saint Mary to deliver such bonds to the treasurer of the parish governing authority to be deposited in the parish general fund with the liability of the sheriff being relieved.

Prior law stated any owner who claims a cash bail bond deposited in the general fund of the sheriff or in the case of the parishes of Caddo, Plaquemines, East Baton Rouge, Bossier, and Saint Mary in the general fund of the parish governing authority will be reimbursed from these funds upon establishing a claim by a judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction.

New law removes Plaquemines Parish from the list of specified parishes required to deposit such bonds in the general fund of the parish governing authority instead of the general fund of the sheriff.

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(Amends R.S. 15:86.1)