RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Thompson

<u>Prior law</u> authorized the Dept. of Agriculture and Forestry to develop and adopt an official logo for products produced in Louisiana.

<u>New law</u> expands <u>prior law</u> to include products grown or manufactured in Louisiana and agricultural related activities conducted in Louisiana.

<u>New law</u> authorizes the commissioner of agriculture and forestry to impose a civil penalty of up to \$500 for violations. Each day on which a violation occurs shall constitute a separate offense.

<u>New law</u> provides that civil penalties may be assessed only by a ruling of the commissioner based on an adjudicatory hearing held in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.

<u>New law</u> authorizes the commissioner to institute civil proceedings to enforce his rulings in the district court for the parish where the violation occurred.

Effective June 2, 2016.

(Amends R.S. 3:4721(A) and (C); adds R.S. 3:4722)