

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

**ACT 534 (SB 419)**

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Prior law prohibited any board or commission member, immediate family member, or legal entity in which he has a controlling interest from bidding on or entering into a contract or other transaction under the supervision or jurisdiction of the board or commission.

Prior law also prohibited any public servant from participating in a transaction in which he has a substantial economic interest which involves the governmental entity.

Prior law prohibited any appointed member of any board or commission from participating or being interested in any transaction involving the agency which would be a violation of the ethics code.

Prior law provided an exception for the Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans (board) and requires a member of the board to recuse himself from voting on matters which would otherwise violate the prohibited participation and prohibited contracts provisions of the ethics code.

New law repeals the exception and the provision for recusal.

Prior law specifically authorized individuals who are employed in the maritime industry to serve on the board.

New law provides that members employed in the maritime industry and who are appointed prior to August 1, 2018, may serve on the board subject to recusal provisions in effect on the date of the appointment of the member appointed prior to August 1, 2018, and apply to the member for the term of that member.

New law provides that members appointed to the board on or after August 1, 2018, employed in the maritime industry may serve subject to recusal provisions in Title 42.

Effective August 1, 2018.

(Amends R.S. 34:1(A)(3), R.S. 42:1112(D) and 1120.4(A); repeals R.S. 42:1120.1)