

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

**ACT 441 (HB 540)**

**2023 Regular Session**

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New law specifies that a port district board for parishes which have a population of 68,000 to 73,000 and 57,000 to 57,400, respectively as determined by the latest federal decennial census may appoint, fix salaries of, and pay port and harbor police. Additionally, provides requirements of appointees.

New law requires appointees furnish a bond upon which suit may be brought for injury or for failure of appointee to faithfully perform his duties.

New law enables port and harbor police who have completed a course certified by the Council on Peace Officer Standards and Training to perform law enforcement duties commensurate with powers of sheriffs.

New law provides for arrestees of the port and harbor police to be delivered to the sheriff of the parish in which it occurs, and provides that such authority not deprive law enforcement from a parish with a population of 68,000 to 73,000 and 57,000 to 57,400 according to the latest federal decennial census from performing their duties.

New law allows for the commission to make rules and regulations relative to the port and harbor police and provides for modifications to the rules and regulations.

Effective June 28, 2023.

(Adds R.S. 34:1603.2)