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Abstract: Provides relative to electronic bonds and bail undertaking for electronic bonds.

Proposed law (C.Cr.P. Art. 311) defines "electronic bonds".

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that an electronic bond may be executed at the discretion of the sheriff, and the sheriff shall approve agents to execute the bond.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that a licensed bail bond producer applying for electronic bond authority shall make an application to the sheriff and shall meet the following criteria to execute an electronic bond:

- (1) Reside in this state or maintain a principal place of business in this state.
- (2) Be qualified to write bail bonds.
- (3) Be qualified and possess a La. bail bond producer license for a period of not less than 10 years preceding the date of application.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the approving sheriff authority may require any documents deemed necessary to verify the information contained in the application.

(Adds C.Cr.P. Art. 311(11) and 328(C))