

2025 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 141

BY REPRESENTATIVE HUGHES

AN ACT

To enact Code of Criminal Procedure Article 331(M), relative to bail; to provide relative to the discharge of bail obligations; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. Code of Criminal Procedure Article 331(M) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

Art. 331. Discharge of bail obligation

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M. At any time prior to the defendant's failure to appear or within one hundred eighty days after the notice of warrant for arrest is sent, the surety may file proof of the defendant's deportation with the clerk of court. If the surety is unable to obtain proof of deportation, the surety or the court may invoke a contradictory hearing in order to establish proof of the defendant's deportation. If the court determines that the defendant's deportation has occurred, the surety shall be fully and finally discharged and relieved of any and all obligations under the bail undertaking.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____