

## RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

**ACT 67 (HB 173)**

**2025 Regular Session**

**Illg**

Existing law authorizes state park wardens to enforce all rules and regulations of the Dept. of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, office of state parks, and all laws of the state of La. within their jurisdiction.

New law authorizes state park wardens to enforce litter laws statewide and to issue citations for littering by mail or in person.

New law authorizes the Dept. of Culture, Recreation and Tourism to bring a civil action to recover penalties for intentional and simple littering citations.

New law creates an adjudicatory hearing process and provides requirements for notice and opportunity and for appeals to the judicial district court.

New law provides for the judgment to become final for debt recovery purposes after time for appeals has expired and assesses costs and attorney fees to anyone who is assessed a civil penalty.

New law requires that any civil penalties recovered be deposited into the litter abatement account within the Conservation Fund.

Effective upon signature of governor (June 4, 2025).

(Amends R.S. 56:1688(C); Adds R.S. 56:1688.1)