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Present law (R.S. 37:21(B)) provides that the provisions of present law (R.S. 37:21) do not apply to certain professional or occupational licensing boards.

Proposed law provides that the provisions of present law (R.S. 37:21(A)) do not apply to certain professional or occupational licensing boards.

Proposed law provides that when a professional or occupational board initiates a disciplinary action against a licensee and the final resolution of the proceeding before the board results in a consent order, judgment or finding in which the length of the suspension or probationary period imposed or the amount of the monetary payment required of the licensee is less than an offer of judgment made or monetary amount offered previously by the licensee in a consent order negotiation, the board shall not collect from the licensee the attorney fees or costs of the proceeding incurred by the board after the offer of judgment or offer in negotiation was made in writing.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 37:21)