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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides relative to the requirements of entities administering public benefits.

Present law requires a state agency or political subdivision to verify the citizenship status of an applicant who applies for federal, state, or local public benefits.

Present law requires a state agency or political subdivision to complete certain tasks upon termination of the reasonable opportunity period to verify an applicant's citizenship status or upon receipt of final verification that an applicant is not a U.S. citizen or lacks satisfactory immigration status.

Proposed law retains present law and further provides that the agency or political subdivision is subject to audit by the legislative auditor after the reasonable opportunity period provided in present law.

Proposed law applies present law to any entity administering public benefits.

Proposed law otherwise retains present law.

(Amends R.S. 46:233.4(A) and (D); Adds R.S. 46:233.4(C)(4))