

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 917

BY REPRESENTATIVE DESHOTEL

FIRE PROTECTION: Provides relative to life safety and property protection licensing

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 40:1664.4(A), 1664.6(B)(6), 1664.7(F), 1664.8(A), (C), (G), and  
3 (H), 1664.9(B), (E), (F), and (G) and to enact R.S. 40:1664.3(82) and 1664.5(A)(15)  
4 and (16) and to repeal R.S. 40:1664.3(22), 1664.8(B) and (I), 1664.9(J), and 1664.17  
5 relative to life safety and property protection licensing; to provide for definitions; to  
6 provide relative to certain licensing requirements; to provide for licensure  
7 exemptions; to provide for criminal history verification; to provide relative to license  
8 application requirements; to provide for criminal background checks; to provide for  
9 licensing fees; to provide for license validity periods; to provide for procedures  
10 subsequent to cancellation of contracts; and to provide for related matters.

11 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

12 Section 1. R.S. 40:1664.4(A), 1664.6(B)(6), 1664.7(F), 1664.8(A), (C), (G), and (H),  
13 1664.9(B), (E), (F), and (G), and 1664.15(A) are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.  
14 40:1664.3(82) and 1664.5(A)(15) and (16) are hereby enacted to read as follows:

15 §1664.3. Definitions

16 As used in this Subpart, the following terms have the meanings specified in  
17 this Section:

18 \* \* \*



1 ~~by a criminal record check of the applicant.~~ Such license shall expire on the thirtieth  
2 calendar day after its commencement or on the date of issuance of an apprentice or  
3 technician license, whichever is earlier.

4 §1664.8. Criminal background checks; provisional license

5 A. Each principal, ~~or officer,~~ and each designated qualifier of a firm holding  
6 a property protection endorsement shall undergo and pass a criminal background  
7 check prior to the firm or qualifier receiving a license pursuant to this Subpart.

8 C. No ~~person or officer or principal,~~ officer, or qualifier of a firm applying  
9 for a property protection license shall have been convicted of a felony, received a  
10 first-time offender pardon for a felony, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere  
11 to a felony charge. A person whose felony conviction has been dismissed pursuant  
12 to Code of Criminal Procedure Article 893 or the equivalent judicial dismissal shall  
13 be eligible for property protection licensure if the conviction was not a felony crime  
14 of violence specifically enumerated in R.S. 14:2(B), a sex offense as defined in R.S.  
15 15:541(24)(a), with the exception of R.S. 14:92(A)(7) and R.S. 14:80, or a felony  
16 offense against property as enumerated in R.S. 14:51 through 62.8.

17 \* \* \*

18 G. The office of state fire marshal, ~~code enforcement and building safety,~~  
19 may consider the seriousness and circumstances of the offense and subsequent  
20 arrests and convictions pursuant to this Section.

21 H. The state fire marshal is authorized to order ~~fingerprint analysis~~ criminal  
22 backgrounds or any other analysis or documents deemed necessary by the state fire  
23 marshal for the purpose of verifying the criminal history of a ~~person or named officer~~  
24 ~~or principal or officer and each designated qualifier~~ principal of a firm applying for  
25 a property protection license. The state fire marshal shall have the authority to  
26 conduct criminal history verification on a local, state, or national level. All costs for  
27 verifying criminal history shall be borne by the applicant.

28 \* \* \*



1	<del>(b) Specialty Endorsement:</del>		
2	<del>(i) Pre-engineered</del>	<del>\$350</del>	<del>\$100</del>
3	<del>(ii) Kitchen suppression</del>	<del>\$350</del>	<del>\$50</del>
4	<del>(6)(a) Technical Endorsement-Fire Alarm</del>	<del>\$350</del>	<del>\$100</del>
5	<del>(b) Specialty Endorsement:</del>		
6	<del>(i) Fire alarm (Non-required)</del>	<del>\$350</del>	<del>\$50</del>
7	<del>(ii) Fire alarm owner</del>	<del>\$350</del>	<del>\$50</del>
8	<del>(7) Technical Endorsement-</del>	<del>\$350</del>	<del>\$150</del>
9	<del>Portable Fire Extinguishers/Hoses</del>		
10	<del>(8) Technical Endorsement-</del>	<del>\$350</del>	<del>\$50</del>
11	<del>DOT hydrostatic testing</del>		
12	<del>C. The amount of licensing fees for a person are as follows:</del>		
13	<del>Employee endorsement</del>	<del>Initial fee</del>	<del>Renewal fee</del>
14	<del>(1)(a) Technical Endorsement-Locksmith</del>	<del>\$100</del>	<del>\$50</del>
15	<del>(b) Specialty Endorsement:</del>		
16	<del>(i) Bank locking</del>	<del>\$100</del>	<del>\$50</del>
17	<del>(ii) Detention locking</del>	<del>\$100</del>	<del>\$50</del>
18	<del>(iii) Limited Locksmith</del>	<del>\$100</del>	<del>\$50</del>
19	<del>(iv) Automotive Locksmith</del>	<del>\$100</del>	<del>\$50</del>
20	<del>(2) Technical Endorsement-Door hardware</del>		
21	<del>specialist</del>	<del>\$100</del>	<del>\$50</del>
22	<del>(3)(a) Technical Endorsement-Security</del>	<del>\$100</del>	<del>\$50</del>
23	<del>(b) Specialty Endorsement:</del>		
24	<del>(i) Closed Circuit Television</del>	<del>\$100</del>	<del>\$50</del>
25	<del>(ii) Household fire</del>	<del>\$100</del>	<del>\$50</del>
26	<del>(iii) Security sales</del>	<del>\$100</del>	<del>\$50</del>
27	<del>(iv) Special Locking</del>	<del>\$100</del>	<del>\$50</del>
28	<del>(v) Limited Locksmith</del>	<del>\$100</del>	<del>\$50</del>
29	<del>(vi) Limited Security</del>	<del>\$100</del>	<del>\$50</del>

1	<del>(4) Technical Endorsement-</del>	<del>\$100</del>	<del>\$50</del>
2	Fire Sprinkler Qualifier		
3	<del>(5) Technical Endorsement-</del>	<del>\$100</del>	<del>\$50</del>
4	Fire Sprinkler Inspector		
5	<del>(6)(a) Technical Endorsement-</del>	<del>\$50</del>	<del>\$50</del>
6	Fixed Fire Suppression		
7	<del>(b) Specialty Endorsement:</del>		
8	<del>(i) Pre-engineered</del>	<del>\$50</del>	<del>\$50</del>
9	<del>(ii) Kitchen suppression</del>	<del>\$50</del>	<del>\$50</del>
10	<del>(7)(a) Technical Endorsement-Fire Alarm</del>	<del>\$50</del>	<del>\$50</del>
11	<del>(b) Specialty Endorsement:</del>		
12	<del>(i) Fire alarm (Non-required)</del>	<del>\$50</del>	<del>\$50</del>
13	<del>(ii) Fire alarm owner</del>	<del>\$50</del>	<del>\$50</del>
14	<del>(8) Technical Endorsement-</del>	<del>\$50</del>	<del>\$50</del>
15	Portable Fire Extinguishers/Hoses		
16	<del>(9) Technical Endorsement-</del>	<del>\$25</del>	<del>\$25</del>
17	DOT hydrostatic testing		
18	<del>(10) Specialty Endorsement-Apprentice</del>	<del>\$50</del>	<del>\$50</del>
19	<del>(11) Technical Endorsement - Conveyance Device</del>		
20	<del>(a) Conveyance Device Inspector</del>	<del>\$100</del>	<del>\$50</del>
21	<del>(b) Conveyance Device Mechanic</del>	<del>\$100</del>	<del>\$50</del>
22	<del>(12) Speciality Endorsement-</del>		
23	Limited Conveyance Device Mechanic	\$100	\$50
24	<del>(13) Conveyance device inspection fee</del>	<del>\$150</del>	<del>\$150</del>
25	<del>*</del> <del>*</del> <del>*</del>		

26            E. All licenses are valid for ~~one year~~ three years, ~~unless a multi-year license~~  
27 ~~is created~~, and shall be renewed within thirty days of its expiration date to remain  
28 valid. The state fire marshal may create a prorated fee system to allow employee  
29 license renewal dates to coincide with the firm license renewal date.

1           F. A license not renewed ~~within thirty days of~~ before its expiration date shall  
2           be invalid and considered past due and subject to late fees. ~~The late fee penalty shall~~  
3           ~~be twenty-five dollars for a license not renewed before thirty-one to forty-five days~~  
4           ~~past the expiration date and fifty dollars for a license not renewed before forty-six~~  
5           ~~to sixty days past the expiration date.~~ After a license has expired, the person to whom  
6           the license was issued shall have fifteen days following the expiration date to file an  
7           application for renewal of the license without the payment of a late fee. Any person  
8           who makes an application for the renewal of a license after fifteen days following the  
9           expiration date of the license shall be charged, in addition to the renewal fee, a late  
10          fee not exceeding one hundred twenty-five dollars.

11          G. ~~A license shall be suspended if not renewed within sixty days of its~~  
12          ~~expiration date or if the license holder has not maintained the license. The cost to~~  
13          ~~reinstate a suspended license shall be the cost of the initial fees plus twenty dollars.~~  
14          If a license is not renewed within a period of one year from the date of expiration,  
15          it is no longer eligible for renewal. An application for a new license may be  
16          submitted and upon approval, a new license issued. A license that is not renewed  
17          within one year of its expiration date will require a criminal background check at the  
18          time of application. License or endorsements based on certifications, education, or  
19          credentials shall expire upon the expiration date of the certification, education, or  
20          credentials.

\* \* \*

22          Section 2. R.S. 40:1664.3(22), 1664.8(B) and (I), 1664.9(J), and 1664.17 are hereby  
23          repealed in their entirety.

---

DIGEST

The digest printed below was prepared by House Legislative Services. It constitutes no part of the legislative instrument. The keyword, one-liner, abstract, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

---

HB 917 Original

2026 Regular Session

Deshotel

**Abstract:** Provides relative to life safety and property protection licensing.

Present law provides for definitions.

Proposed law defines "administrative personnel".

Proposed law repeals definition of "door hardware specialist".

Present law provides exemptions for which requirements for licensure do not apply.

Proposed law exempts administrative personnel who do not visit a customer's home or other protected premise, and an employee of a licensed firm who is physically located outside the state, provides technical support remotely, and has passed a criminal background check.

Proposed law provides criminal background check requirements for remote technical support employees.

Present law requires that applications for property protection endorsements by persons be accompanied by a criminal record check of the applicant.

Proposed law requires only principals, officers, and qualifiers for a firm to undergo a criminal background check prior to receiving an endorsement.

Present law provides criminal background check requirements for persons and firms applying for property protection licenses.

Proposed law specifies that qualifiers are required to have a criminal background check for property protection licenses and repeals the requirement for persons.

Present law provides the fire marshal may issue provisional licenses to property protection applicants provided certain criteria are met.

Proposed law repeals this provision of present law.

Present law provides a schedule of fees for Life Safety and Property Protection licenses for a firm.

Present law provides a schedule of fees for Life Safety and Property Protection licenses for a person.

Proposed law amends the schedule of fees.

Present law provides that all licenses are valid for one year, unless a multi-year license is created.

Proposed law provides that all licenses and renewals are valid for three years.

Present law provides that a license not renewed within 30 days of its expiration date shall be considered past due and subject to late fees of \$25 for a license renewed 31-45 days past the expiration date and \$50 for a license renewed 46-60 days past the expiration date.

Proposed law provides that a license not renewed before its expiration date shall be invalid, and the person it was issued to shall have 15 days following the expiration date to file a renewal application without the payment of a late fee. For applications placed after 15 days, a fee not exceeding \$125 in addition to the renewal fee will be charged.

Present law provides that a license shall be suspended if not renewed within 60 days of its expiration date or if the license holder has not maintained the license, and that the reinstatement fees shall be the cost of initial fees plus \$20.

Proposed law provides that if a license is not renewed within 1 year of the date of expiration, it is no longer eligible for renewal, and an application for a new license may be submitted. The application for the new license will require a criminal background check at the time of application.

Proposed law provides that licenses or endorsements based on certifications, education, or credentials expire when the certification, education, or credential expires.

(Amends 40:1664.4(A), 1664.6(B)(6), 1664.7(F), 1664.8(A), (C), (G), and (H), 1664.9(B), (E), (F), and (G); Adds R.S. 40:1664.3(82) and 1664.5(A)(15) and (16); Repeals R.S. 40:1664.3(22), 1664.8(B) and (I), 1664.9(J), and 1664.17)