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DIGEST

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Present law (R.S. 13:2575) provides that any municipality or parish may prescribe civil fines for blighted property, abandoned property, or violation of public health, housing, fire code, environmental, and historic district ordinances in the municipality or parish by owners of immovable property, their agents, tenants, or representatives pursuant to the procedures for administrative adjudication provided in present law.

Present law provides that for the purposes of present law, "housing violations" shall encompass only those conditions in privately owned structures which are determined to constitute a threat or danger to the public health, safety or welfare, to the environment, or a historic district. In municipalities with a population of 70,000 or more according to the latest federal decennial census, the term "housing violation" shall also encompass building codes, zoning, vegetation, and nuisance ordinances.

Present law provides that nothing in present law shall be construed to affect activities which occur on the premises of manufacturing facilities and which are regulated by present law.

Present law defines "blighted property" and "abandoned property".

Proposed law retains present law and expands applicability of present law procedures for administrative adjudication and enforcement of ordinances to any municipality or parish without a limitation on population as provided in present law.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 13:2575(A))