

parish of the official's domicile, the parish where the conduct occurred.

Proposed law provides that a suit to remove a public official or district attorney pursuant to this Section may be brought by the attorney general or by the legislature pursuant to the provisions of Subsection E of this Section. Authorizes the suit to remove a public official be brought by the attorney general or by the legislature pursuant to proposed law.

Proposed law requires that any action to remove a public official be civil in nature, with venue in the parish of the official's domicile, the parish where the conduct occurred.

Proposed law authorizes the attorney general or the legislature to prosecute an action to remove a public official upon an affirmative vote of 2/3 of the elected members of the Senate or 2/3 of the elected members of the House of Representatives and that this vote may be procured by written ballot of the legislature.

Proposed law provides that if the legislature initiates an action for removal, the action shall be prosecuted by the president of the Senate, or a member designated by the president, or the speaker of the House of Representatives, or a member designated by the speaker. Provides that the speaker and president may jointly appoint a special prosecutor as an alternative to enforce proposed law when authorized by an affirmative vote of 2/3 of the elected members of each house of the legislature, and that this vote may be procured by written ballot.

Proposed law clarifies that a suit to remove a public official may only be filed by the attorney general when either the House of Representatives or the Senate has by an affirmative two-thirds vote authorized the attorney general to file a suit to remove the public official.

Proposed law requires the Supreme Court to appoint an ad hoc judge approved by a majority of the court to preside over any action initiated proposed law.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Amends R.S. 42:1411(A), (B), (C), and 1412(A); adds R.S. 42:1412(E))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Senate and Governmental Affairs to the original bill

1. Replaces "negligence" with "misconduct".
2. Removes 19th Judicial District Court as a venue from the bill.
3. Clarifies that a suit to remove a public official by the attorney general is only allowed after an affirmative two-thirds vote by the House or Senate for that purpose.