
DIGEST

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HB 55 Re-Reengrossed

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Abstract: Provides for the disclosure of identifying information of jurors.

Proposed law prohibits from inclusion in public records certain information that would identify someone who served on a jury.

Proposed law does not apply to juror information submitted to a local government.

Proposed law creates an exception for when a court finds good cause following a motion to disclose the identifying information.

Proposed law provides a penalty of up to \$1,000 or six months imprisonment, or both, for violations of proposed law.

Proposed law adds an exception to present law regarding public records.

Proposed law applies prospectively only.

(Amends R.S. 44:4.1(B)(39); Adds C.Cr.P. Art. 794.1)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice to the original bill:

1. Remove language relative to current or former jurors serving on a grand or petit jury to apply proposed law to all jurors.
2. Add that proposed law applies prospectively only.

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on House and Governmental Affairs to the engrossed bill:

1. Make technical changes.
2. Provide that proposed law shall not apply if a list of jurors is submitted to a local government for payment of juror fees.

3. Provide that the penalty provisions of proposed law do not apply to a public body.

The House Floor Amendments to the reengrossed bill:

1. Provide that certain juror information is prohibited from inclusion in public records.
2. Provide that the prohibition does not apply to juror information submitted to a local government.
3. Provide that upon motion and finding of good cause by the court, the juror information may be disclosed by the court in whole or in part as the court deems necessary.