

HOUSE SUMMARY OF SENATE AMENDMENTS**HCR 6****2026 Regular Session****Knox**

SUCCESSIONS: Authorizes the La. State Law Institute to study intestate succession proceedings

Synopsis of Senate Amendments

1. Changes the date by which the La. State Law Institute must report its findings from Jan. 4, 2027, to Feb. 4, 2027.
2. Specifies that present law (C.C. Art. 1617) provides for a forced heir to be deprived of his legitime if he is disinherited.
3. Provides that disinheriton must be made expressly and for just cause in accordance with present law (C.C. Art. 1619).
4. Provides that one of the causes for disinheriton is the failure of an adult child to communicate with the parent without just cause for a period of two years.
5. Removes the assessment that allowing estranged children to inherit property places a burden on surviving spouses.
6. Changes the focus of the study from how to disinherit a successor without the formality of a will to how to prohibit an intestate successor from inheriting when he is estranged from the deceased.
7. Makes technical changes.

Digest of Bill as Finally Passed by Senate

Authorizes the La. State Law Institute to study intestate succession proceedings and mechanisms to prohibit an intestate successor from inheriting from the deceased when he is estranged from the deceased and report its findings to the La. Legislature by Feb. 4, 2027.