

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 303 (HB 519)

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Existing law provides for the appointment of a special master upon consent of all parties in any civil action where complicated legal or factual issues are presented or exceptional circumstances of the case warrant such appointment.

New law additionally requires a special master appointed by a trial court to comply with ethical requirements of the Code of Judicial Conduct and provides for exceptions.

New law provides that any cases designated as complex pursuant to rules adopted by the La. Supreme Court are subject to the supreme court's rules regarding complex cases and the provisions of new law.

Effective August 1, 2026.

(Adds R.S. 13:4165(G))