

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

ACT 635 (HB 308)

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Bayham

New law requires each public facility to accept cash as a payment option for certain in-person transactions. Defines "public facility" to mean a stadium facility owned by the state or any of its instrumentalities, agencies, boards, or commissions that is normally used for athletic or entertainment events, activities, or enterprises. Further provides that the term includes but is not limited to the La. Superdome, the Smoothie King Center, and La. State University's Tiger Stadium.

New law provides an exception if the public entity has available on site a cash-to-card kiosk into which a customer deposits cash and is given a debit card loaded with the amount deposited in order to complete the in-person transaction. Prohibits the levy of a fee or any other condition on a public entity's acceptance of cash as required pursuant to new law.

New law provides exceptions, including sales in which the entity suspects the use of counterfeit cash, the use of cash denominations larger than \$20 by a customer, and transactions related to parking at the public facility.

New law becomes effective July 1, 2026, and applies to transactions initiated on or after July 1, 2027.

(Adds R.S. 39:441)