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DIGEST

Martiny (SB 174)

<u>Present law</u> provides that a debtor shall not maintain an action on a credit agreement unless the agreement is in writing, expresses consideration, sets forth the relevant terms and conditions, and is signed by the creditor and the debtor.

<u>Proposed law</u> maintains <u>present law</u> and provides that in an action by a creditor, the debtor shall not assert a defense based on a credit agreement unless the agreement is in writing, expresses consideration, sets forth the relevant terms and conditions, and is signed by the creditor and the debtor.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 6:1122)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

<u>Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer</u> <u>Protection, and International Affairs to the original bill</u>

1. Changes the effective date <u>from</u> August 1, 2013, <u>to</u> effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.