The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Julie J. Baxter.

DIGEST

Claitor (SB 459)

<u>Present law</u> provides that the secretary or the attorney general may institute a civil action in the courts of this state to seek recovery from persons who violate the provisions of the Medical Assistance Programs Integrity Law.

Proposed law retains present law.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that no private counsel employed by the secretary or attorney general to institute such civil action shall be compensated on a contingency fee basis or any other basis solely dependent upon the outcome of the action. <u>Proposed law</u> further provides that the contract of employment of such private counsel, including fee amounts, shall be a public record.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 46:438.1)