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## DIGEST

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HB No. 1274

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

(Amends R.S. 40:1299.58.10(E) and 1299.64.6(D))