SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 203

2016 Regular Session

Ward

KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

ATTORNEYS. Provides certain penalties regarding the unauthorized practice of law. (8/1/16)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

- 1. Removes the prohibition against the attorney general or a district attorney from being awarded attorney fees.
- 2. Adds requirement that an action be filed within three years from the date of the act constituting the unauthorized practice of law.
- 3. Technical amendments

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

DIGEST

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<u>Proposed law</u> allows an aggrieved party, the attorney general of the state of Louisiana, the Louisiana State Bar Association, or any district attorney to file a petition to enjoin an actor from engaging in the unauthorized practice of law. <u>Proposed law</u> authorizes any aggrieved party to sue an actor who is engaging in or has engaged in the unauthorized practice of law for general damages, special damages, and all other damages suffered by the aggrieved party and the award of costs and attorney's fees to the petitioner and a prescriptive period of one year from the date of the unauthorized practice of law or its discovery. Requires that an action be filed within three years from the date of the act constituting the unauthorized practice of law.

Requires that

Effective August 1, 2016.

(Adds R.S. 37:213.1)

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