RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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<u>Existing law</u> requires the use of standard testing procedures administered by competent persons to establish that a person above the age of 15 possesses less than 2/3 of the average mental ability of a person of the same age.

<u>New law</u> expands <u>existing law</u> to allow the court to consider other relevant evidence in addition to standard testing procedures and updates archaic language.

Existing law requires that in order to continue the tutorship of a person above the age of 15, there must be concurrence of the coroner of the parish of the mentally deficient person's domicile.

<u>New law</u> maintains the requirement of concurrence of the coroner to continue the tutorship of a person above the age of 15, and clarifies that the petitioner shall not bear the coroner's costs or fees associated with securing the coroner's concurrence. Further updates language relative to a person with an intellectual disability.

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(Amends C.C. Art. 355)