## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Requires bail enforcement agents to be licensed by the Dept. of Insurance.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes the commissioner of insurance to adopt regulations necessary for the regulation of bail enforcement agents.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the commissioner to adopt regulations to license and regulate bail enforcement agents.

<u>Present law</u> provides that bail enforcement agents shall be subject to the same licensing and fee requirements as bail bond producers.

<u>Proposed law</u> establishes separate licensure, authorization, and notification requirements for bail enforcement agents.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires an authorization in writing from any bail bond producer on whose behalf the bail enforcement agent will be authorized to enter this state or act within this state.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the commissioner to establish and collect a reasonable license fee not to exceed the fee requirements of bail bond producers to accompany an application for licensure.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the commissioner to collect a filing fee not to exceed \$10 to accompany the filing of any authorization but prohibits the collection of a fee for the filing of a required notice.

Present law provides for prohibited acts by bail bond producers and penalties for violations.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds prohibited acts for bail enforcement agents and penalties for violations.

(Amends R.S. 22:1581(A), 1582(2), 1583, and 1584(A)(intro. para.); Adds R.S. 22:1583.1, 1584.1, and 1584.2)