

SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 108

2019 Regular Session

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KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

BONDS. Provides for criminal bail bonds. (8/1/19)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Adds that proposed law is not to be considered to support actions involving violation of law regarding charges in a quoted premium (R.S. 22:855) nor actions involving rate enforcement of premiums on criminal bail bonds (R.S. 22:1443).

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

DIGEST

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Present law (R.S. 22:1443) provides the premium rate set for commercial surety underwriters writing criminal bail bonds in the various courts throughout the state is 12% of the face amount of the bond, or \$120, whichever is greater.

Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law, applicable to any parish with a population between 300,000 and 400,000 persons according to the latest decennial census, provides that to the extent an additional 1% has been collected under color of the provisions of Act 350 of the 2005 Regular Session, no repayment of overcollections as determined by the commissioner shall be required.

Present law (R.S. 22:822) provides a licensing fee for all commercial surety underwriters who write criminal bail bonds that is generally 2% of the dollar value of liability underwritten by the commercial surety. Provides that in Orleans Parish, the applicable rate is 3%. Provides for distribution of the proceeds of the fee to various agencies involved in the justice system.

Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law specifies that in any parish with a population between 300,000 and 400,000 persons according to the latest decennial census, the licensing fee shall not be more than 2%.

Proposed law is not to be considered to support actions under violations involving provisions regarding charges in a quoted premium (R.S. 22:855) nor actions involving rate enforcement of premiums on criminal bail bonds (R.S. 22:1443).

Effective August 1, 2019.

(Amends R.S. 22:1443)

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