## **DIGEST**

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**Abstract:** Requires inmate visitation to be conducted in person unless waived by the inmate or if the warden determines that an in-person visitation would cause a substantial risk to the safety and security of the facility or the persons involved in the visitation.

<u>Present law</u> authorizes the secretary of the Dept. of Public Safety and Corrections to authorize visits and correspondence under reasonable conditions between inmates and approved friends, relatives, and other persons.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds that visits authorized pursuant to <u>present law</u> shall be conducted in-person unless the inmate agrees to visitation in another form or if the warden of the facility determines that an in-person visitation would cause a substantial risk to the safety and security of the facility or the persons involved in the visitation.

(Amends R.S. 15:833(A)(1)(a))